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FREE KANSAS!

Enthusiastic Demonstration at the Tabernacle.

Report of the New-York Tabernacle Committee.

Eloquent Address of Gov. Reeder.

In compliance with a call issued by a Committee appointed at a meeting held some time ago at the Friends of Free Kansas in this City, for the purpose of persons assembling last night in the Tabernacle, drawn mainly thither by the announcement that Governor Reeder would be present and make an address.

The building was literally crammed. Not only the pews, but the remotest corners, were filled to repletion. Especially of the fairer sex was fully commensurate with its numbers, which, with a hearty enthusiasm gave evidence of the warmth of its sympathy and the character of the motives which induced its presence. At 10 minutes to 8 o'clock Mr. ROB LOCKWOOD ascended the platform amid applause and nominated for Chairman Mr. EDGAR KETCHUM. The nomination was unanimously accepted and Mr. KETCHUM presented himself amid repeated indications of approval.

Mr. KETCHUM proceeded to speak of the arrangement that had been made with Gov. REEDER to address an audience in this City on a previous occasion, and of the circumstances which inevitably led to his non-compliance with them. He was proceeding to speak of a recent intimation received by telegraph from his family in Pennsylvania, of his intention to be present in New-York in time for the meeting of last night, when a voice cried out, "Here he is!" And so it was. Mr. REEDER made his way to the platform amid rapturous applause and cheering, and was warmly welcomed by the friends who were there expecting him.

After the appointment of Mr. JOHN FITCH for Secretary, the Chairman submitted the subjoined report of the NEW-YORK TABERNACLE COMMITTEE.

To the Democratic Citizens of the New-York Panel:

The undersigned, appointed on the 9th of June to receive and distribute the moneys contributed in aid of Kansas,

Respectfully report: That in order to secure the object in view, and that no portion of the trust in their hands might fail of its purpose, one of their number was appointed to visit the head-quarters of operation at Chicago, and also, if necessary, to enter Kansas.

In accordance with these instructions our Chairman spent five weeks in making thorough and searching investigation into the actual condition of affairs within the Territory, and the best methods of relieving it from wickedness. From his communication with prominent members of the Kansas General Committee located within the Territory, and from intimate and confidential communication with the active leaders and friends of the cause within the States, the undersigned came to the conclusion that your funds could be most efficiently and wisely applied through the NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Having previously paid $565 56, mainly for the relief of fellow-citizens in Kansas, and $1,000 through the Central Committee, they have accordingly paid over to the Treasurer of the National Committee the balance, viz., $4,434 44.

THEODORE MCNAMEE,
EDGAR KETCHUM,
ROB LOCKWOOD,
CHAS. A. DANA,
Members Tabernacle Committee.

THEODORE HYATT, Chairman and Secretary.

Address of Gov. Reeder.

Gov. REEDER was then introduced amid enthusiastic cheers. He said:

I thank you sincerely, fellow-citizens, for this demonstration. It pleases me to know, that at least in this respectable audience there exists some sympathy for men who are battling and struggling for their just rights upon the far-off plains of Kansas, even though there be no sympathy in the high places of the country. Though there be no sympathy among those who occupy the high places in our country, there is at least sympathy from the body of the people—from those who have given our officials the little brief authority which they have so flagrantly and basely prostituted in the eyes of high Heaven, and before the people of this Republic. (Cheers.) I come before you to-night, fellow-citizens, upon a mission from the Free State men of the Territory of Kansas, to tell you of their wrongs, and the oppressions and insults which they have been subjected to, and to appeal to you for that aid and that protection which, as fellow-citizens of our common Government and under the constitution and laws that you have adopted, you in common with all the people of this nation are bound to render. I come to you as the representative of a party which possesses but one article in its political creed, to wit, making a Free State of the Territory of Kansas—[loud cheers]—a party which there has thrown wide open its doors to every man of every shade of political opinion, who will unite in the furtherance of that great and glorious object—[loud cheers]—a party that in their anxiety to reach that great goal, cheerfully and cordially ignores all other political distinctions. [Loud applause.] Inasmuch, fellow-citizens, as they and myself, being citizens of a Territory, have no vote to cast in the coming Presidential election, I come not here to dictate to you the manner in which you should cast your suffrages. I come not here as a politician, to advance the claims of any special candidate or any special party, but I come here to speak for Free Kansas, and for Free Kansas alone. [Loud cheers.] I come not here to speak to any men of a peculiar political creed. I come not here to bolster up the candidates of any political party. I come not here to assail or oppose the nominees of any party, and if you expect, to-night, that I shall pronounce eulogy or censure upon any of the candidates for the next election—if you imagine that I am about to entertain you by a political speech with regard to the Presidential election, I shall be compelled to disappoint you. [Applause.] If, upon the other hand, any man has come here expecting me to emit sought that bears upon the condition [illegible] introduction people, he will [illegible] [Cheers.] I intend to go on [illegible] talent and intellect will [illegible] rather to the right and to the [illegible] fair's breath for the sake [illegible] of position. If, however, the truths that I shall lay before you, give the remedies that I shall suggest will substantially help any political party in this land it is their due, I believe, that I should not withhold a word to take back. [Cheers.] If, on the other hand, the truths that I shall tell you should produce an injurious effect on any party the responsibility is upon them and not upon me, and I have, and shall have no regret for my acts whatever the result may be to them. [Cheers.] I come to you not upon a mission as a politician, but I stand here to discuss a question which is vital to us all—which is vital to every State and every man in this community—a question far beyond the aims and intrigues of sinning politicians—a question which involves the character of this great, and as we complacently are disposed to call it, this "model Republic." I come not here to discuss its glory or its any nationality. I come not here to discuss any secondary or immaterial point, but I intend to grapple to the best of my feeble ability the point which constitutes the essence and vitality of this Republic—its character, upon no less a question than whether this great country, rested of itself in all its grandeur, self-sufficiency and pride, relying upon the past achievements for a bright future, and united to the admiration of all the nations of the earth, is able to protect its own citizens in the full enjoyment of their lives, their property, and political creed. I come here to analyze the doctrine so often promulgated that we are able to govern ourselves. It has been common for an hackneyed phrase for the admiration of the world with exultation and self-satisfaction, that during the six thousand years that have rolled round since the creation of the globe, that it was reserved for us—this great and mighty people—to demonstrate to the world the great problem of self-government, and to prove that we have accomplished that which never before has been achieved by any nation. It has been our fashion to claim that that was no longer a problem, but that it had been reduced to absolute and positive certainty. I tell you that events have been transpiring within the last few years which must cause every honest and intelligent man to inquire whether we have demonstrated that problem. Let us see in looking over our past history whether any events that have taken place in that history has made the monarchists of Europe to shake their heads, and entertain serious doubts as to whether that problem has been solved. Look over the face of this land. You see how, with our Constitution, the sisters of the Union have been endeavoring to sustain themselves, and to grant to every individual under the shadow of that Constitution their legal and constitutional rights. What efforts have been made to cast this Constitution aside, and the laws under it, and in some instances the authority of the Government, at the behest of a mob, have been execrated in order to protect the citizen in his social and religious rights. The Governments of California at least have failed, and it needs the exercise of reflection in order to bring it back to original purity. Those events which lead us to doubt whether, when taken with other events these address themselves to the experience of every man, and lead him to pause to consider the evils that exist among us. Upon the far-off plains of the Territory of the United States—on the Western group of the Rocky Mountains that looks out upon the Pacific Ocean, we find that there a people who have settled down to govern themselves, had found themselves incapable of doing so. They have raised themselves up against this government, appointed their own executive officers in defiance of the law of Congress, in defiance of the executive of the great nation, and in tones of defiance telling the President of the United States that they would elect whom they pleased, and that his government was not strong enough to prevent them from carrying out their arbitrary designs. Look upon the plains of Kansas, and who is there with burning eloquence sufficient to depict the state of this portion of the Union. I confess my total inability to convey to you the state of things that there exists. No man here can realize it. No man can realize it unless he has been a party to, and mixed in it. But I can only say to you that upon the plains of Kansas, under the shadow of the stars and stripes, under the protection of this Constitution and this model Republic, there is to be found a people whose condition—social, civil and political—you would improve if you were to transfer them to the Governments of the Chaga Hassia, or the Princes of Austria or of France. In the political scale they are below the subjects of Russia, the subjects of France, and the subjects of Austria; and that, too, under the protecting shadow of the Constitution and the flag of the model Republic. [Loud cheers.] Is this true? Why, it is capable of the plainest and the shortest demonstration to any man who knows the facts, or even a few of the facts.

It is admitted as an undoubted truth that the people of that country have no lot or part in their own government. They have no laws of their own making. They have no taxes of their own levying. They have no officers of their own electing. They are as slaves—political slaves—subjugated by a foreign power, with no shadow and no semblance of self-government—absolutely subjected. They are completely in the power of the neighboring States. Missouri dictates to us in their laws, their institutions, and their officers. Are the subjects of France, the subjects of Austria and Russia less free, politically, than these? Why the last vestige of their political liberty is taken away, and as far as that is concerned they are precisely upon a footing with the serfs of Europe. Their condition would be greatly improved if you were to give them a government such as France or Austria, for then they would at least have protection and security for their liberty and their property. They would have judicial tribunals to arbitrate righteously between parties, and redress the wrongs of the oppressed, and who would punish those who plundered houses and committed robbery and murder. But at present violence, outrage, rapine, and crimes of every description run riot over the beautiful prairies of Kansas, and there exists no law to stop the current; but, on the contrary, assassination and robbery are common occurrences, perpetrated with impunity, and recognized and applauded by the officials. Suppose for a moment that some man gifted with prophecy had informed the sages who drew your Declaration of Independence, under which we live, that before three-quarters of a century had passed away such a state of things would exist under this Constitution—under the stars and stripes of this country, and upon the land they were about dedicating to liberty, what would have been their feeling? The question may be asked, but, fellow citizens, it is far beyond my power to draw the picture that would be its answer. Allow me now, in considering this question which occupies our attention this evening, to come down to details, which I trust will bring home to you some sort of realization of the state of things there existing. I shall not undertake, to-night, to dwell upon the outrages that have been committed. I shall not undertake to furnish you with a catalogue of the highway robberies, the house burnings, the plunderings, the horse-stealings, the murders, and the outrages of all kinds that have been perpetrated upon the soil of Kansas; for did I attempt to enter into a minute description of them I should require to occupy your time for at least a week. It is beyond the limits of the time assigned to me, or to any speaker to give you such an inventory. If I were to give you in detail a history of the blood that has been shed, of the rapine, of the robbery, of the atrocities that have been perpetrated, disgraceful to civilized man, I should not know where to begin or where to end, and therefore I must give them in a general way. And I will start with the proposition that a scheme has existed there, and been in progress since the year 1854, to make Kansas a Slave State, by force of crime and violence; in other words to force the institution of Slavery by violence and opposition upon the people. This is a plain proposition. That was the scheme which, I regret to say, has, with untiring perseverance, been carried out step by step before the very eyes of this nation, and allowed to go unchecked. That this is so, I suppose, needs very little demonstration. I will rapidly trace over the project that has been framed to rivet on Kansas the badge of Slavery. I will show the persistency with which such an attempt has been carried out; and I will demonstrate to you that it wants but a few, and a very few, finishing touches to complete and consummate this work, and I shall endeavor to show you the awful consequences that must inevitably result, to the great North. You know already that no election has ever been held upon the soil of that Territory, where the men who were the originators of this scheme did not attempt with numbers to control the election and its results.

In November, 1854, they came in large numbers upon the soil, for the purpose of electing delegates to Congress. In March, 1855, they sent into our Territory 4,000 to 5,000 men, who voted at our polls—who elected the Legislature, not representing our people, and which Legislature went on to enact laws for that Territory which are still in force. On the 30th March, 1855, one poll after another fell into the hands of these men who elected that Legislature. You have most of you, if not all, seen the report of the Committee appointed by Congress bearing upon this question, and I will not dwell upon it. I shall take it to be an assumed fact—an honest fact. After that election they proceeded at once to take away from the people of the Territory of Kansas every vestige of self-government and of civil liberty which they could grasp. In the first place they closed every ballot-box which was within reach, and refused to allow the people to elect one single Territorial officer. They have in their hands, with the aid of the President of the United States in part the legislative, the executive and the judicial power of the Territory. They have secured every office in the Territory, from the highest to the lowest, and possess now all the political, civil and judicial power. They have that power in their hands, which the people can never be released from except by revolution. They have left us nothing but that which they cannot take away—the physical power which we happen to have. [Cheers.] That, thank God, is beyond their reach. [renewed cheers,] and the time may come when the laws of God and the laws of man—when everything that can influence the honest man—the Republican man—will dictate to him that physical power must be made the only and the only means of recovering the political and civil liberty that has been taken from him. [Loud cheers.] All the boxes in the territory were closed. In the halls of that Legislature men arose and declared that their object in assuming to themselves the appointing of every political officer was to deprive the people of the power of electing, and they declared upon the floor of the house that if the people were allowed to elect [illegible] would go for nothing [illegible] they had invested would be [illegible] the results of their past achievements would be [illegible] away, and that the offices would be filled with men of wrong political principles, thus [illegible] that the majority was in the minority—the oppressed, and boldly declared that they should not govern itself. Not satisfied with closing those ballots, they attacked the two ballots which Congress opened for us and which they could not close. They then by devilish ingenuity attempted to prevent the Free-State men from voting. I will not go into details, for you are familiar with them. You know that partisan judges were appointed over these polls with a large discretion for the purpose of enabling them to receive every vote from Missouri and rejecting every Free State vote; and oppose every political test by which our people were kept away, and then they went to work and surrounded the ballot-box with ruffians to prevent the Free-State men voting. Thus have they seized upon political power. Thus have they overthrown the right of self-government. They have placed a set of officers in power of their own making. They have appointed a prosecuting officer for each district. They have appointed a sheriff for each county, a county clerk, and a probate judge. They then proceeded to disorganize the Free-State Party, and to prevent them from having any political action with any efficiency. They first undertook to deprive that party of its leader. Indictments for treason were organized, some of the leaders of the party were thrown into prison, and others were banished. Thus the party was stripped of its leaders. The next step was to stop the Press. Three presses were destroyed—one at Lawrence, two at Leavenworth—and the materials of another press [illegible] of his brow, or who, by the vicissitudes of time [illegible] may have to labor in the sweat of his brow [illegible] man who expects to have posterity—has a [illegible] abiding interest in it. Suppose that great [illegible] Territory were in question instead [illegible] Suppose this had occurred twenty [illegible] ago there, and that the gates of [illegible] territory had been shut against the [illegible] emigration from the North. Suppose the [illegible] who now swarm over the surface of Illinois, [illegible] Michigan, were all thrown back on these [illegible] Southern States, what would be the condition of [illegible] labor? This is not a matter of theory—it is not [illegible] of dispute; but it has been demonstrated. [illegible] has been demonstrated in Ireland, and in China. [illegible] the result would be the same everywhere. Our [illegible] were go out West to lessen the supply of labor [illegible] to appreciate its wages, and its mass and its [illegible]. Suppose you throw back this vast tide of [illegible] emigration—suppose you refuse to allow a [illegible] Northern laborer to occupy the Territories [illegible] the West, what then? Labor thickens up. All the paths of labor are home [illegible] are filled, and filled, and filled in until they are choked up far beyond the demand. The wages of labor depreciate. There is no emigration. There is no population, and at last the vast mass of unoccupied labor becomes one festering sore of degradation, poverty, ignorance and crime. [Loud applause.]

The speaker went on to illustrate the evils of a numerous laboring class without adequate sources of employment, by referring to the cases of Ireland and China, particularly the former, the present comparative prosperity of which he attributed proximately to the increased rate of wages for the laborer, but primarily to the thinning of the population by extensive emigration, and consequent decrease in the supply of the laboring class.] And so it was in the Northern States. If the new Territory, he continued, were to be dedicated to the profitable labor of the negro, it might not be so bad; but it is not that. It is to be given to the South to be wasted. There is no State in the South the soil of which is not wasted and abused. This, then, is a contest between the laboring man of the North and the slave of the South. It cannot be disguised. Every laboring man in the North should know and feel that the people of Kansas are fighting his battles, and fighting for whether he shall have a right to go there or not. [Applause.] This is truth and in fact, a question between white men and negroes, and nothing else. In other aspects in which this thing might be looked upon. We all look forward to a Pacific Railroad as one of the great and cherished objects of national progress. [Loud applause.] There are few men whose hairs are so gray that they do not hope to live to see the time when the iron horse shall be heard upon the shores of the Pacific, bearing the mail, and the trade, and the commerce of the East down on the Western slopes of the Rocky Mountains, and bringing back the commerce of China and the East Indies, and dropping its riches all along the route, filling your City with population and enterprise and wealth, and commerce. Well, if Kansas be made a Slave State, will you ever see the Pacific railroad completed? [Cries of "Never."] In 15 years, if that country is dedicated to free white settlers from the North, the Pacific Railroad will be made. Dedicated to the negroes of the South, it will be waste under their wretched agriculture. [Mr. REEDER entered at some length into a discussion of the question as to the probability, in the event of Kansas becoming a Slave State, of its ever being made free. His opinion was very emphatically expressed to the effect that such a thing was entirely beyond the range of probability.]

A Voice—Three cheers for JOHN C. FREMONT. [Loud applause.]

Gov. REEDER—Faith is a very good thing, but faith without works don't amount to much. [Applause.] It is very well to have faith that the slaveholder will not undertake to plant his institutions on the soil of the North, but the man who would prevent it must begin to work. [Applause.] It won't do for a man to say, "Never! Never!" and sit down and wait, in the fulness of his faith, without any works until the deed is accomplished, and then undertake to weed it out. He who would prevent it must set to work in time. He must see the faint foreshadowing of the thing in the distance, and he must set himself to use prevention instead of cure. I have seen, not long since, men in the North whose conduct I could not reconcile or explain, except upon the assumed belief that if the South should dictate to them they would vote to adopt Slavery into their State. [A voice—"MILLARD FILLMORE."] [illegible] of Congress [illegible] now, if the question was put to vote to adopt Slavery into the States of New-York and Pennsylvania. [Cries of "No! no!" and "Yes! yes!" and some confusion.] Yes, there are such men found, and their conduct can be explained in no other way. [A voice—"That is it. That is the doctrine," followed by applause.] At one time, I believed this to be an impossibility. I would have lent it no ear, and no faith; but that time has gone by, and the existence of the fact should put every man on the guard, and make him [illegible] give ear to the indications of public opinion on the subject.

That is not to be the history of the country, I believe—to be brief as possible, I will now attempt to describe for the state of things now existing in Kansas.

A Voice—The Pro-Slavery party.

ANOTHER VOICE—We are.

Gov. REEDER—You have seen outrages committed in Kansas. You have seen courts of justice closed. You have seen the arm of the law invoked as one of the instruments of oppression; and every one is aware, that of all the forms of tyranny that ever disgraced the earth, judicial tyranny is the most infamous. Judicial tyranny has so oppressed our people in Kansas, that no man ever thinks of legal redress. Murder stalks abroad in the land; a man finds his brother stiff and stark on the ground, with the bullet of the murderer in his vitals, and the last thing he thinks of is an appeal to a court of justice. The courts of justice are made the vehicles of oppression, and are in the hands of our enemies. Our men are murdered at home and abroad, and the highways of the Territory are unsafe. Military camps are established, who take upon themselves the supervision of every man who passes the limits they have prescribed. Our people are actually subjugated now, and not a single right, civil or political, is left them. Even now a civil war is raging on the soil. There was a time when the arm of the Executive of the United States could have been interposed to prevent this international war. There was a time when all this could have been remedied, and it could have been remedied if we had had a man of nerve and integrity in the first office of the nation. [Loud applause.] The brave and gallant men who are now imprisoned and guarded by dragoons of the United States in Kansas are there under charge of treason, the first intimation of which came from the President of the United States, in his message to the Senate in January 1856. [A voice.—Three groans for PIERCE.]

One word about these indictments for treason. There is a strange state of things existing there, and it is a remarkable coincidence that the Chief Justice of the United States in Kansas, unconsciously perhaps, to himself, laid down the same doctrine in regard to these alleged acts of treason, which made Judge JEFFREYS everlastingly infamous. During the reign of CHARLES I. JEFFREYS laid down those doctrines which have consigned his name to such irredeemable depths of infamy that no man, poet, philosopher, statesman or jurist, has ever raised his voice to apologize for his conduct. His bloody assizes, held in the memory of every citizen of the British Islands, the great crime of which that man was guilty and to which he sacrificed so many men in England, was the doctrine of constructive treason. He laid down the law that every man who resisted the process of the law was guilty of constructive treason. Judge LECOMPTE, of the Territory of Kansas, unconsciously perhaps, lays down the same doctrine. He says that every man who resists the laws of the United States is guilty of constructive treason. He had some difficulty in making out that argument, to be sure, because it was the laws of the Territory of Kansas that were resisted, and he undertook to argue that because the laws of the Territory of Kansas, which were made by a Legislature created under authority of the United States, were resisted, that therefore, the laws of the United States were resisted. Some of the men he wanted to reach never had resisted, and so he was obliged to hold the doctrine that a man might constructively resist. [Laughter.] That if he was in favor of a State Government, he was guilty of a constructive resistance, and that those laws were constructively the laws of the United States, therefore it was constructive treason. [A VOICE—He was a constructive genius.] Now JEFFREYS never approached this, and yet LECOMPTE had what JEFFREYS never had. He had the Constitution of the United States for his guide, which declares that treason shall only consist in waging war against the United States, and giving aid and comfort to her enemies. [Loud applause.] He had his information, however, from high quarters—from no less a source than the special Presidential message of January, 1856, in which the adoption of that State Constitution was held to be treason and revolution.

Now, my fellow citizens, I hold that the President of the United States or his legal advisor have something else to guard than their own reputation, and if they are even willing to stultify themselves, before this country, by showing their inability to distinguish between a constitutional right and a treasonable rebellion they have no right to disgrace the country by the declaration that the people of this country have elevated to the highest offices in the nation men who know no better than this. [Loud applause.] I tell you that the Constitution of the State of Kansas has been adopted in a manner which may be justified upon principle and upon authority. It may seem strange to you, after all the allegations that have been made, as to this State movement, when I tell you that nine States are now in this Union with State Constitutions adopted under no other authority, and in no other way than this by which Kansas formed her Constitution of Kansas. [Loud applause.] I challenge contradiction upon this subject, because I know what I say, and I say it deliberately. We have eighteen States in this Union, seventeen of which were made from territory of the United States, Texas being the [illegible]. Of these seventeen eight were adopted with Constitutions formed by virtue of a law previously enacted by Congress, and nine with Constitutions which had no other authority than that of the inhabitants in their assemblies. Is there any contradiction to that? If there is I would like to meet it. I tell you the Constitution of Kansas has been formed in the same way as the Constitutions of Maine, Vermont, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Iowa, Florida, California and Michigan—nine of them. None of these had any previous enabling act of Congress. They formed their whole authority from the people who went to work precisely as the people of Kansas had. Now when we came to adopt this Constitution we acted advisedly. We thought we knew what we were about. We supposed that this old, long beaten path which nine of the States of the United States, had traveled over securely, and which we found sanctioned by the names of WASHINGTON and JACKSON, and many of the statesmen of the olden times, was wide enough for us. We thought that when nine States had gone in admission, there was room enough for the admission of Kansas. We found that in the State of Tennessee, that admission was introduced by the senator in of Gen. WASHINGTON himself. We find that in the State of Michigan that the same course was adopted by Gen. JACKSON, and that it was the principle followed all along until President PIERCE meets us in the path and tells us that it is the path of treason. It is exceedingly fortunate that Gen. PIERCE and CALEB CUSHING had not lived in the enjoyment of power at the time of Gen. WASHINGTON or we should have Gen. WASHINGTON and Gen. JACKSON both arraigned by CALEB CUSHING as grand traitors. Somebody may say he was in reply, "You are mistaken, Sir, these nine States did not come in under the same authority; their own Territorial Legislatures had given them the authority." But I reply that the Territorial Legislatures had no power to give to the people, or to withhold from them, the right to make a Constitution. That is not now the question. The powers of the Territorial Legislature are limited; they are laid down in the act. The power to authorize the people to make a State Constitution is not given to them. They have no more right to say the people shall than that they shall not form a Constitution. The people derive the power from the Constitution of the United States. The Constitution of the United States provides that the people have the right to assemble and petition Congress for the redress of their grievances, or for admission into the States. But they cannot petition Congress rightly to be admitted as a State until they attach a Constitution to their petition. Congress may authorize the people of the Territories to form a Government, but when they come to admit a State the State must be there, its officers all ready and organization completed, like a machine with all its wheels, pulleys and straps just ready to receive the motive power from Congress. How are the people, then, to form a Constitution? They get up an organization ready to submit to Congress, in obedience to their constitutional right to petition, unless they elect delegates who shall meet in Convention, elect a Governor, Supreme Court Judges, &c., so that when the petition is presented the organization may be ready to put into immediate action whenever Congress grants admission. In 1836 this question arose under General JACKSON's Administration, in the case of the new Territory of Arkansas, and when the matter was referred to him the question was taken up, in the first place, as to the right of the Territorial Legislature to pass such a law, and the Governor was instructed not to call such a Legislature as was asked for, for the reason that the Territorial Legislature had no power over the subject. The instructions then go on to discuss whether the people have the power, and it is upon this laid down that the people have the power, and the Legislature have not. [Applause.] So on the admission of Michigan, the question arose on this same point, when Mr. BUCHANAN rose in his place and stated that the Territorial Legislature had no power over this subject at all, and he inquired whether any Senator there would deny that. No man answered, and thus in fact the whole Senate of the United States thus expressly certified, through Mr. BUCHANAN, who on that subject was its mouthpiece, that the whole power of forming a constitution for a Territory was with the people alone, and that the action of the Legislature was void. And yet in face of this there are men who call this treason.

The speaker then turned to the consideration of Revenue and spoke of the condition of the Free-State people, restrained by their leaders till endurance became almost criminal. At one time of the sacking of Lawrence it was with difficulty that the young men could be restrained from attacking the camp of the Missourians. They saw the mangled and bloody corpses of their comrades strewed over the prairies; they saw their houses in flames; they saw their idle fields uncultivated; they saw before them the horrors of bloodshed and desolation, and they became desperate and anticipated that conflict by striking the first blow. [Vehement applause.]

Mr. REEDER detailed some of the outrages which had driven the Free State settlers to the adoption of retaliatory measures, and asserted that if the little band now manfully fighting for their liberty and the law in Kansas should be overpowered, the last hope of Freedom will die with them.

A VOICE—Never.

Mr. REEDER—Yes, my fellow-citizens, when that little band shall be destroyed it is only too true that the last hope of Freedom on these western plains is gone. [A voice—Emigrate.] when again can we expect to fill that country with such a body of men? No body of men that you would send there afterwards but would be met in the threshold. Now is the time, and now is the only time, to save Kansas, by saving and sustaining the men who are on its soil. [Loud applause.] They must be saved, or all must be given up and lost. The last hope of Freedom in the West, I tell you, is with them. If you will save them, you will save Kansas. Mr. REEDER dwelt forcibly on the necessity of providing material aid for the Free-State men now in Kansas. Men and money must be sent there immediately. They must be supported—they must be clothed—they must be fed. There ought to be not less than 2,000 men on that soil; $200 a-piece would equip and provision them for a year. The armed bands of men with whom the free settlers have now to contend could be dealt with without assistance if they had no means of increasing their numbers. He hoped the people would put their hands in their pockets for the purpose of relieving the wants and the necessities and the exigencies of their brethren, and that they would do it with a full appreciation of their position and of their wants. [Loud and reiterated cheers.]

The PRESIDENT then came forward and announced that arrangements had been made for raising a collection for the purpose indicated in the previous speaker's address.

In the interval whilst the subscriptions were being taken, Mr. REEDER rose again and said he would just take the liberty of informing the meeting, that if enough money could be raised in a very brief time, no less than four or five thousand men could be found who would be willing to proceed to Kansas.

Mr. ANDREW urged, in forcible language, the necessity of rendering assistance to the free men of Kansas in their present condition. He had attempted, on different occasions, to obtain an interview, upon the subject, with the President, but was unsuccessful. He had, in consequence of his failure, determined to attend this meeting, where his efforts might be more successful in enlisting the sympathy of the audience in regard to the objects of the present meeting.

A Protestant Episcopal Missionary to the District of Kickapoo dwelt strongly upon the hardships that he had, together with his family, been made to endure, and the cruelties that had been practiced upon himself for an avowal of his opinion in regard to the non-existing of Slavery, and his determination to support entire Freedom in that Territory of Kansas. It was not often, he said, that members of his Church in his capacity, descended to the arena of politics, nor had he ever before spoke in such an assemblage, but he could not now help raising his voice against bloodshed, rapine and cruelty.

Mr. THAMMEN HYATT addressed the meeting, describing the utter lawlessness carried on in the Territory, and the cruelties practiced upon persons differing in opinion from the Pro-Slavery men. He dwelt on the utter want of redress, from the legal authorities, for injustice or injuries done the free settlers.

After a few observations from Mr. CHITTENDEN and Mr. EMMAN, the Chairman stated that the amount collected would send ten men to Kansas, equipped and armed, as Gov. REEDER had advised.

The meeting then adjourned.

The Portland *Advertiser* records a fatal accident on the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad. It appears that as the Montreal train of cars on Saturday evening approached the crossing on the "Gray-ly" Road in Cumberland, a wagon in which were three children (two girls and a boy) attempted to pass. The engine struck the horse, killing him instantly, and smashed the wagon to fragments. The train was stopped as soon as possible, and it was discovered that the two girls were badly mangled and dead. The boy who drove the wagon was uninjured, but, after the services of a physician had been procured, he came to; but in the course of the night it was evident that he was sinking, and he is probably dead ere this time. The children belonged to the [illegible]

family of Mr. Lane, of Falmouth, and had been on a visit to their grandfather, who was standing on the door of the cottage.

NEW-YORK POLITICS.

MEETING OF THE AMERICAN STATE COUNCIL AT SYRACUSE.

Extraordinary Proceedings of Tuesday Morning—The Way the Delegates Were Admitted—Some Very Interesting Social Speechmaking—Resolutions of the North Americans—Fillmore Meeting, &c.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Daily Times.

SYRACUSE, Tuesday, Aug. 26, 1856, 10 P. M.

An exciting day this has been in this city of salt. It is the day of the meeting of the American State Council of this State. Convention Hall is the place of the meeting. At the hour of 10 A. M. President SAWYER took a station in a lower room of the hall. Constituting himself a Committee on Credentials and the question of admitting persons such as were dressed by him found Fillmore and rejected all others.

The Council assembled for the purpose of organizing in its President, and he was in every way [illegible] mitting of his own will and pleasure [illegible] affection,—so that none disapproved of his [illegible] permitted to enter the Council Hall.

A very large number of Free or North Americans were thus excluded. About two hundred and fifty—certainly less than three hundred men, opposed as Fillmoreites, many of whom came in as [illegible] delegates, but serving to avoid the law—were allowed admission.

The persons thus admitted were addressed by sundry individuals.

S. D. SPRAGUE, of the Albany Evening Journal, and with great [illegible] confidential statements. One of them [illegible] was the fact that FILLMORE is to be [illegible] very triumphantly; that he cares not [illegible] Schlosserdy from the south and east with [illegible] five thousand majority! and that [illegible] west, through the central counties, [illegible] hard to travel!—that much work is [illegible] to be done. Another important [illegible] that the Buchanan Central Committee [illegible] week and came to the conclusion that [illegible] should support FILLMORE in the [illegible] where their members are easily [illegible] cities, in order to retain the foreign [illegible] to go for BUCHANAN; that the foreigners are [illegible] to be gulled and kept from FILLMORE. A third important announcement was [illegible] Protestants—in other words [illegible] to be kept scared by exhibiting FILLMORE [illegible] Catholic!

This programme, this eloquent political leader and editor was confident would [illegible] New-York for FILLMORE.

Other statements were made, but these [illegible] ported are the principal, and any of the [illegible] suffice.

The North Americans in the meantime [illegible] and called a meeting for this evening. That meeting is now gathering, and large numbers are [illegible] ing to their number. They have resolved to hold a Convention to-morrow, which, according to [illegible] indications, will consist of four or five hundred.

The man approved by President SAWYER [illegible] o'clock organized with him in the chair and J. STANLEY SMITH as Secretary. They [illegible] after adjourned to 8 o'clock.

At the hour appointed they again met. President SAWYER, in the interim, had discovered that in spite of his care there were four Fillmore Americans had passed him, and the first business was their speedy ejection. With the door closed against the world, reporters included, the President then delivered an address glowing with [illegible] of the brilliant prospects of his party, and of the worthless character of the members. The address was received with applause, and ordered to be published for the illumination of the "misguided citizens." He said the same [illegible] by a [illegible] him, mainly a repetition of the position taken in his address, and designed, it is probable, to render them emphatic.

The case of the Twenty of [illegible] Wards in [illegible] in number—one instituted by J. W. [illegible] President of the State Council, the other [illegible] in opposition thereto by President [illegible] then brought up by the distinguished and [illegible] renowned truth-teller Alderman FITZPATRICK. The matter was referred to a committee, after which and the appointment of a committee on credentials, President SAWYER being [illegible] gaged otherwise to serve as such Committee [illegible] longer, and a Committee of Answer, the Council journed to 8 o'clock to-morrow morning, [illegible] journment over the evening being in order of the holding a Fillmore Mass Meeting, which is now [illegible] ering.

Meeting of the American State Council.

(From our Regular Reporter.)

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Tuesday, Aug. 26.

Over three hundred delegates arrived this morning.

The entire forenoon was spent in examining credentials.

The Council will not permanently organize until after dinner.

The attendance is very large, and the prospects promise to be harmonious.

SYRACUSE, Tuesday, Aug. 26, P. M.

At the afternoon session there were about eight hundred delegates present. After some preliminary business, S. SAWYER, the President of the Council, read an address relative to the condition and prospects of the Order. The proceedings were harmonious and enthusiastic. Adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

There is to be a Fillmore mass meeting and procession this evening.

The Fremont men who were refused admission to the Council have called a [illegible] evening, at the Fremont Club-room. They claim to be a majority of the [illegible] gates duly elected to the Council, and charge the Fillmore men with having taken [illegible] possession of the Hall, to the exclusion of all others.

Wisconsin Democratic Convention.

(Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.)

BARABOO, Friday, Aug. 22, 1856.

A large number of the best teachers in the State assembled on Tuesday and opened the Convention at 10 o'clock. Discussions and lectures formed the principal part of its work. On Wednesday evening Prof. EMERSON, of Beloit College, addressed the Association on the subject of History. On Thursday morning a discussion on the relations of the College and the Common School took place, and called forth much interesting debate, but the best feeling prevailed. Prof. FISK, of Beloit College, was very happy in his remarks. The conclusion that was reached was that the College had a separate field from the Public School; that there was need of Academies, as the Union Schools would perform their work. In the afternoon reports on the condition of schools in the various counties were presented. In the evening an interesting debate on Normal Schools took place, in which President CHAPMAN, Professors FISK and EMERSON, of Beloit, Rev. Mr. KINNEY, of Racine, and Prof. KNIGHT, of Albany, N. Y., engaged. The session closes to-day.

A memorial has been circulated in Detroit for signatures, entreating the House to stand by its Bunce proviso in the Army Appropriation Bill.

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[illegible] a Valued Friendly [illegible]

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Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times:

Cowes, Eng., ——, 1856.

[illegible] had anticipated the fate, [illegible] that we were at our [illegible] dreary gloomily [illegible] saloon, was not like [illegible] were deserted. The [illegible] table below my berth. The dining-room party was [illegible]. The gentlemen who had been playing [illegible] at shilling points all the passage were not at their places; and a disconsolate passenger, in [illegible] and a cloth cap, was seen holding on by the backs of the seats as he endeavored to [illegible] his way up the saloon, and was overheard muttering that he had lost his books to bale out his [illegible]—he didn't know which, but he hadn't been able to find either.

I will not pause to describe the grandeur of the [illegible] night in that tempest, but I must again say how I was impressed by the sight of that great [illegible], plunging like a cork on a [illegible] the giant waves, yet pressing steadily on in her course through sleet and storm. From any position on deck where you could hold on, all was dark except the lights on the paddle-boxes and in the top, and the dim light at the binnacle. Now she rose so that her stem seemed in the clouds, and now she went swinging down the side of a great sea as if to destruction, but on, on, on. It was a thrill to the heart of a man when he remembered that man had triumphed over the sea, yet it humbled him again when he reflected on the [illegible] strife so brave and stout as this.

In the morning all was changed. We were running along for the home sea, but the wind was [illegible] and the sunshine flashed over the white and dewy sea and all was glorious. This was Friday. The ladies were on deck [illegible] and all sea-sickness was cured. All eyes were directed for land, and at 7 o'clock in the morning the hills of old Ireland began to show on the north bow and at length Cape Clear, and the light on the rocks below it shone brilliantly under a glorious moon. The sea was crossed. Next day we ran up the Irish Channel, and at evening were in Liverpool. The Custom House Officers came on board instantly, and after a long delay our baggage was delivered and we were ashore at the Adelphi Hotel about midnight. So ended our passage of the sea, and the only regret at its end was parting with Captain LOTT, to whom we owe [illegible].

A good story, that I have never seen printed, was related by a gentleman in one of those pleasant after-dinner talks on the deck of the *Asia*, and if you like to point small gossip of the Queen and royal family, you shall have it.

Prince ALBERT, it seemed, did seem get into the habit of staying out late at night and not coming home till morning, whereat her Majesty did with grew much anxious and grieved. It was not certain that he was at the cider cellar, nor could and prove that he did not come home in proper condition, for she endeavored to get into his room on some such occasions, and failed most signally. By way of episode, the story is that the door of her future was thus.

She knocked and said, "ALBERT, open to your Queen."

But Albert was silent.

"Albert, your Queen is at the door."

No reply.

And so she tried morning after morning, until [illegible] trying that form of address several times, she suddenly bethought her to say, "ALBERT, will you let VICTORIA in?" Whereupon the door flew open and she rushed into his arms instantly. But his breath was unimpeachable that morning, though he had some home somewhere about the small hours.

It worked, and she tried a new plan. She ordered the gates of Windsor to be closed at eleven, and no one to be admitted without calling her, and then she went to her room. All night she waited, but no husband came, and after a brief doze and waking fretting lamented she sent for the keeper of the gates, and learned that the Prince had come home at three or four, and learning her order, had left word that he wouldn't by no means disturb her, and went his way for a jolly night of it.

This occurred again the next night, and the next morning His Grace the Duke of Wellington was summoned at an early hour by a visit from His Royal Highness. His Grace the Duke drove out rapidly to Fort Somebody's, and taking him up proceeded to the Hon. Mr. Blank's, and a council was held. The question was important: "Can the Queen lock Prince Albert out?" It bothered the dignitaries. They had no precedents, and so they decided [illegible] three, two or one would [illegible] by saying "Of course not," and so the [illegible] and the Prince had his evening to himself, as any good Dutchman that loves lager bier ought to have.

There, there, the story. It isn't mine. I see the blunders in it as plainly as you do. But it will do for your gossiping friends, and you can work it up somehow if it don't read right.

By-the-by, perhaps you may be able to explain to me a little affair that has puzzled me somewhat in Liverpool. We arrived in the *Asia* on Saturday night. We met the *Atlantic* going out as we came in, and we found on the books of the hotels in Liverpool the names of a large number of American friends whom we would have been very glad to meet. But at the Queen's Hotel, where we went to ascertain who had been there, we found the landlord very wide awake on the subject of his American guests, and on inquiry who he had had, he named several, and concluded by saying "there was one, a very queer sort of a man; curious way he had with him; had his cravat knot under his left ear; called quarrels some of the Americans laughed at him; all of them knew him; he didn't know much about anybody; swears—yes, swears a great deal; believes he was editor of a paper once, or something of the sort; acted very strange; paid his bill and went down aboard the *Atlantic* with the rest of them; had his room engaged and expected to sail, but he came back again; didn't like the company."

Perhaps it was his home?

Why, I don't recollect. Let me see if its on my memory whether he was one of your Members of Congress, or whatever you call it; [illegible] very curious man; oh yes, here's his card.

The Hon. Wooll.

There if you have any such man in your city, do me the favor of some idea, and believe my embarrassment.

To return to Liverpool I can only say, do not follow the advice of Macaulay and go to the country. The sky where also visible than by Boston extraordinary here. So is equally so a third-rate house in America, and the charges are fifty times as high as any ordinary overcharge made in the States. Our bill for four persons for a day and a night, without any extras, was $25 75; or about $6 50 apiece. Either the Queen or Wellington is doubtless responsible.

We had intended to go on to London to-day, but this old town of Chester was hard; and, if we should not visit it now, we should hardly be likely ever to do so, and so we wooed the old Dickens-and-Pickwick Party, and took by rail, fifteen miles, to Chester, where we are now at the Royal Hotel writing against time. I am waiting this letter somewhere among the small hours. When I com-

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Magazines for September.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE.

With a view of easing the anxious minds of the readers of "Little Dorrit,"—a story now fully one-third published, yet hitherto extremely cloudy and obscure, as regards incidents,—we have to announce that the new position contains something which, if not quite tangible, appears on the eve of being so. Monsieur Rigaud, introduced in the opening of the tale, as prisoner in Marseilles, again turns up in London, most respectably introduced by a Paris house of business, as Mr. Blandois, and evanishes as abruptly as he came. From the parish workhouse turns out a pauper named Nandy, whose visit to his daughter (Mrs. Plornish) is graphically related, as well as his pensionership upon the imprisoned and insolvent Father of the Marshalsea. Here, too, is something like love making between Arthur Clennam and Little Dorrit, which promises to bud *into full-blown passion. Finally*, inquisitive Pancks (own cousin to Nadgetts in *Martin Chuzzlewit*) appears, in a state of conjunct fear and excitement, great with a wonderful discovery that Old Dorrit, so long an imprisoned insolvent, is within a week of being legally acknowledged as heir to something great—wealth, or a title, or both. In another month, curiosity on that head will be gratified. Among the illustrated papers in *Harper*, three are good, and a fourth but middling. Very graphic, by double aid of pen and pencil, is the account of a visit to the Dismal Swamp. Good, also, is an American's "Passages of Eastern Travel." Very interesting to the general and particularly to the scientific reader, is the article, with twenty-four engravings, "On the application of Photography to Printing." The subject-matter of BECKWOURTH'S story—Adventures of a murdering polygamist—is not adapted for a magazine like this, nor are the engravings properly worked. "Soldiering in Oregon" is a capital chapter of military life—racy, lively, and probable. The specimens of Daniel Webster's table-talk are rather heavy, and Lord Cockburn's Memorials, somewhat clumsily crushed into a few pages, by no means give an adequate idea of the spirit of the original volume. A very redeeming article, however, (indeed one of the best we have seen now for months,) is "How we spend our money;" a sagacious and common-sense view of things, combining close observation with extended reading; the closing illustration (Hassan and the elephant) is remarkably well introduced. "The Editor's Drawer," this month, is better, because briefer, than usual. The epigrams from JOHNSON, CHESTERFIELD, and WOLCOT, (p. 566,) are even more "used-up" than the usual appropriations from Joe Miller,—so is MATTHEWS' (CHARLES, not CORNELIUS) last and worst joke; and the dog-and-sausage story, which is spoiled in the telling.

HARPER'S STORY BOOKS, NO. 22.

Instruction and amusement are admirably combined in this series of juvenile books. Nearly two years have passed since the first monthly number was issued, and there is not, as yet, any falling off of the pictorial or literary execution. The new number, called *The Gibraltar Gallery*, because an account of one of the galleries in the Rock of Gibraltar, is the first article, contains a variety of good engravings, with descriptive or illustrative letter-press. It is this variety which more particularly interests, while it instructs youth. Here are nearly 70 engravings, every one of them so well executed, that by merely appealing to the sense of sight, it teaches the youthful reader not only a knowledge of the object represented, but impresses his mind with a certain tasteful knowledge of the Beautiful in Art.

MRS. STEPHENS' NEW MONTHLY.

This Magazine, of which the third number is before us, may now be taken as "a great fact." It contains a variety of papers—*de omnibus*—of which the largest and best portion is that which is original. There is also a plentiful sprinkling of engravings, most of which are very well executed, though, in some instances, where "the human face divine" is in question, full justice is not rendered to the artist's designs. For example, the Charlotte Cushman-like female in the frontispiece has had her left eye obliterated by the graver. "Love in '76," a charming American story, is happily, but too briefly, brought to a conclusion. There is an appreciative article, with two illustrations, upon JEROME THOMPSON, a very able and rising artist. This is from the editor's pen, as are additional chapters of "Lost Jewels," some very fair verses, and the common-sensical chit-chat upon "Things we talk about." This periodical, to be what it should be, must be more American in subjects and authorship than it is. However, magazines, like women and nations, do not reach perfection in a day.

YANKEE NOTIONS.

The genuine humor of its engravings (to say nothing of the fun which forms the staple of its original and selected letter-press) has secured a very great circulation for this monthly periodical. That wit may be expressed by the pencil as well as by the pen, is evident from the specimens before us. Of the greater part of these, even the idea is original. As regards the artistical execution, it may safely be compared with that of the "social evils" cuts in *Punch*. A larger infusion of original matter would be advantageous, but the editor (Mr. CHARLES GAYLER, the dramatist) has certainly not allowed any cotemporary humor to escape his grasp.

Fine Arts.

EXTRAORDINARY CALIGRAPHY.

We have seen another wonderful specimen of Calligraphy by DAVID DAVIDSON, whose masterpiece of pictorial writing (composition of Scripture Pictures by the transcription of the Old Testament on a sheet 78 inches by 68 inches) has already attracted attention. On a very small surface the entire first book of Samuel is transcribed. The picture which Mr. DAVIDSON has just completed consists of portraits of the Republican candidates for the Presidency and Vice-Presidency. The portraits, surrounded by flags and drapery, and surmounted by the American Eagle and figure of Liberty, make altogether an appropriate National Banner. The likenesses of FREMONT and DAYTON are good; but the great merit of the picture is the wonderful minuteness of the writing of which it is composed. The picture has been executed in the same manner as the previous ones from the Old Testament, for which the artist has received many encomiums. The features of the faces and all the lines of the drapery and the accessories are made by the manuscript. Mr. COGSWELL, of the Astor Library, says that, after spending an hour in examining Mr. DAVIDSON'S almost miraculous exhibition of skill and patience in the composition of his several pictures from the Old Testament, he believes it impossible to form any idea of the work from description; it must be seen to be understood. Bishop HOUGH, in visiting the work, adjudged as his and the expectations of Mr. COGSWELL. Mr. DAVIDSON exhibits his pictures at No. 608 Broadway, opposite the Old Dutch Building.

The Galaxy & Mechanics' Magazine [illegible] the 17th M. DE ROCHEMONT [illegible] Manchester, [illegible] of the Russian Embassador to Paris [illegible] after his duel with M. D. HUMBERT.

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Thoughts for Conscientious Men Concerning the Approaching Election.

To the Editors of The New-York Daily Times:

The magnitude of the interests involved, and the fact that the principles of the two most popular candidates are so diametrically opposed to each other in the coming election, will be the cause of an almost unprecedented excitement. Now as every man belonging to it can do something, however small, for advancing his principles, it behooves each one who appreciates the blessing of being an American, and cares for the welfare of his country as for his own prosperity, to ask himself a few questions on this all-important subject, and to answer them fairly, without any reference to party feelings and prejudices, remembering that the instincts of our nature are more often right than wrong where we reject all selfish and passionate suggestions from the mind; and considering further that their children have a direct interest in all such concerns as that of the Presidential election, and therefore they must not allow what may appear perhaps favorable for themselves for the present to rule their decision when a small sacrifice would insure future weal to the country at the expense of a little temporary benefit.

It cannot be denied that hundreds of men record *their votes for one or other particular candidate* from no conviction of the superior worth of the man, but merely because he adopts such and such a platform. They do not sufficiently distinguish between the man and the party—and yet it is *impossible for any person, however he may bind* himself to adopt exactly the platform adopted by those who nominated him; and however blindly he may declare himself the mere mouth-piece and expositor of their views, to avoid showing by his acts the individuality which makes his character what it is, and to conduct himself as if he were but a machine and not a holder of an office giving him more authority and responsibility than the throne of a limited monarchy possesses—as then, *there is no man in the country but which understands sufficient of politics to guide his judgment* in the choice of a platform on which to build his action. Let all those who wish not to have their hopes disappointed, compare the prospects of the country as foreshadowed by each of the two principal parties between whom the game for office will probably be played out. Let them consider what the fundamental institutions of their native land are, and let them think which of these parties is likely to support them best.

The state of affairs in many parts of the United States at the present time is deplorable. Let them ask themselves which candidate for the Presidency is most likely to reform such matters, and place them on a sure basis. To whom is to be attributed the disastrous occurrences in Kansas—the deprivation of freedom of speech and action—the abuse of the ballot-box system, and all the outrageous crimes committed in that State under the the name of Law and *Justice? These evils are attributable to the inefficient and even criminal Government of the Democratic party, joined to the* overbearing and unconstitutional domineering of the Southern Slave power. From whom come the threats of disunion and cries for armed opposition on the part of the Southern States against the North? The Southern papers who support the Democratic Party hesitate not to propose such courses which no true patriot who had his country's interest at heart would venture to hint at. The platform of the Cincinnati Convention does not hesitate to approve of the Government which has caused such dreadful outrages to be perpetrated by fostering the encroaching spirit of the South, and utterly neglecting the needs and claims of the North. One part of the country is plunged into civil war—in another the extremest measures have been resorted to to remedy the evils caused by lawlessness and corruption. The sacredness of justice is disregarded, and all law and right set aside in favor of the overweening tyrant power of the South, and these things are all taking place unrebuked and even indorsed by the Democratic Party, (so called,) who hope to elect JAMES BUCHANAN to the office of President. What will be the consequence if he should be elected? Evidently no change for the better will come in regard to the above causes of complaint. Will the bad management, to give it a mild name, of the present administration be exchanged for wholesome and vigorous measures to insure justice and happiness? It cannot be expected of a man who announces himself as the mere exponent of a party which approves of all that has been done by the present Government. The same causes of complaint that exist at present, must continue to exist—and there is no knowing what may be the result. When men have well considered all this, they will naturally inquire to what quarter they must turn to look for relief, and as the desire for undue extension of slave-power *has been the cause of a great many evils*, besides those mentioned here, they will look for a party having for its object the equalization of rights—which will deal justly and according to the constitutional laws with all parts of the country—which will put down oppression, illegal voting, corrupt practices, &c., which will mark with just disapprobation any attempt to disturb the union of the States, which will administer the affairs of Government impartially, not pushing forward the interests of one part of the country to the detriment of those of the other; in short, such a party as proposes moderate reforms without violence, and if it cannot thoroughly satisfy the opposing party, will, at least, not attempt to take advantage of it.

These few reflections are suitable for such especially as do not mix themselves much up in political matters, but who wish to decide, on general grounds, on the vote they should give, so as to benefit, to the utmost in their power, the country they are so attached to. It is necessary for those wishing to be on the right side in giving their votes, to do more than reflect on the present state of the country, the causes which have led to it, and the best means of restoring order and peace, and then to do all they can to further the cause of right by voting with that party which aims at effecting this desirable object. F. S. B.

Mr. Buchanan's Soundness on Slavery Demonstrated.

From the South Carolina Times and Sentinel.

The highest evidence *a Northern statesman can give of his soundness on the slavery question is to advocate the annexation of a Slave State to the Union.* If we can prove that Mr. BUCHANAN is in favor of this proposition, we will effectually stop the mouths of all the senseless brawlers at the South who falsely or ignorantly pretend to question the *soundness of Mr. BUCHANAN on the Slavery question.*

The proof of it is contained in the message of the President of the United States transmitting to the House of Representatives "correspondence touching matters disturbing the friendly relations between this government and the government of Spain; also a report as to the objects of the meeting of the American Ministers at Ostend." At page 127 of this pamphlet is found a dispatch, dated AIX in Chappelle, October 18, 1854, addressed to WM. L. MARCY, Secretary of State, and signed by JAMES BUCHANAN, J. Y. MASON and PIERRE SOULE. It is the famous Ostend Manifesto. We quote a paragraph or two from it:

AIX LA CHAPELLE, Oct. 18, 1854.

SIR: The undersigned, in compliance with the wish expressed by the President in several confidential dispatches you have addressed to us respectively, to that effect, have met in conference, first at Ostend, in Belgium, on the 9th, 10th and 11th instant, and then at AIX in Chappelle, in Prussia, on the days next following, up to the date hereof. Where has been a full and unreserved interchange of views and sentiments between us which we are most happy to inform you has resulted in a cordial *coincidence of opinion* on the grave and important subjects submitted to our consideration. We have arrived at the conclusion, and are thoroughly convinced that an honorable and earnest effort ought to be made by the Government of the United States *to purchase Cuba* from Spain, at any price for which it can be obtained, not exceeding the sum of $——.

After we shall have secured Spain a price for Cuba far beyond the present value, and this must have been obtained, it will then be time to consider the question, does Cuba, in the possession of Spain, seriously endanger our internal peace and the safety and perpetuity of our cherished Union.

Should this question be answered in the affirmative, then, we say, by every law, human and divine, we shall be fully justified in wresting Cuba from Spain, if we possess the power; and this, we firmly believe, would be the safest and most honorable mode of dealing with the matter. Kindle a conflagration in the dwelling of your next door neighbor, if there was no other mode of preventing the flames from spreading to your own house.

Under such circumstances we might well discount the sneers or regard the cold frown Europe might collect against us. We forbear to enter into the question whether the present condition of the Island would justly call in question our title. We should, however, be perfectly satisfied in our duty, be worthy of our gallant forefathers, and commit no crime against our posterity, should we persist in Cuba to be Africanized and become a second St. Domingo, with all its attendant horrors to the white race, and gaze for the future to extend to our own neighboring shores, seriously to endanger or actually to consume the fair fabric of our Union.

JAMES BUCHANAN.
J. Y. MASON.
PIERRE SOULE.

To W. L. MARCY.

This proof is conclusive. There can be no denying that on October 18, 1854, JAMES BUCHANAN was in *favor of annexing Cuba, a slave-holding State, to the Union, in order to save it from being abolitionized. What say his detractors now to his soundness on the Slavery question?*

We forbear to contrast the bold, statesmanlike and Southern views of JAMES BUCHANAN, in respect to Cuba, with the timid, shuffling and cowardly policy of MILLARD FILLMORE, who suffered CHITTENDEN and his brave compatriots to be shot like dogs, and then attempted to screen himself from popular odium by dismissing the Consul who acted under his instructions, and obeyed them to the letter. But the Southern people will mark the contrast, and remember it, too, in November next, when they cast their votes for a President under whose *Administration the fate of Cuba will, probably, be settled for weal or woe.—Times and Sentinel.*

The Contest in Congress—The Necessity of Some Remedy Acknowledged.

From the National Intelligencer, Aug. 25.

But is there no alternative? Is there not a common ground of accommodation which both Houses may occupy without any sacrifice of principle or honor? We humbly suggest that there is one that will heal the difficulty, if men desire it to be healed, and that it would be an insult to any to doubt. The supporters of the *proviso*, it strikes us, are aiming at a just and proper object, but by means which, if not positively wrong, are at least questionable. That portion of the Territorial laws which they denounce and of which they seek to prevent the enforcement, whether enacted by competent or incompetent authorities, are *a disgrace to the country and its free institutions. They are a greater invasion of public liberty than were the acts which brought the head of Charles I. to the block.* Yet it would be an equal wrong, odious as they are, to put them down by unconstitutional means. The English king suffered death for trampling on the privileges of Parliament. The American Congress should be quite as careful not to invade the constitutional privileges of the Executive. They should be as careful of these as they are and ought to be jealous of their own, and especially when there is a perfectly constitutional mode of redressing the grievance complained of. The true remedy, it appears to us, is *to repeal the obnoxious laws*, and then the Executive cannot enforce them either by the military or civil arm. Both Houses have already virtually condemned those odious enactments, and then, if it were ever so admissible to arrest their execution by the restriction proposed, it would be a more convenient and appropriate mode to do so by striking them from the statute book. In fact, if to tie up the hands of the President in the way proposed were entirely free from objection, Congress owes it to public decency to abrogate laws so offensive to every notion of free government.

The only objection to this remedy is that the Executive veto stands in its way. Now hear what JAMES MADISON says on the proper remedy for such a case:

"*The House of Representatives can not only refuse*, but they alone can propose the supplies requisite for the support of Government. They, in a word, hold the purse; that powerful instrument by which we behold in the history of the British Constitution an infant and humble representation of the people gradually enlarging the sphere of its activity and importance; and finally reducing, as far as it seems to have wished, all the overgrown prerogatives of the other branches of the Government. *This power over the purse may, in fact, be regarded as the most complete and effectual weapon with which any Constitution can arm the immediate representatives of the people*, FOR OBTAINING A REDRESS OF EVERY GRIEVANCE, AND FOR CARRYING INTO EFFECT EVERY JUST AND SALUTARY MEASURE."

An Outside View of the Presidential Election

From the London Times, Aug. 6.

The public mind in the United States seems now fully occupied with the Presidential election, which is to take place during the ensuing Autumn. There are signs that this struggle will engage, more than on common occasions, the attention and interference of the whole people. It may not be that this is a great crisis; mankind are always apt to look on the events of the present day as preeminently important, and in a country like America a four years' term must naturally produce many questions which the result of a Presidential election must determine. Nor can we conceive that there is any danger threatening the Union of the States. They differ in so many ways that the effect is to keep them together. It is not only north and south, but east and west. New-England and the Central States, which have their feuds, jealousies, and wars of words; and they remain one, because the only alternative is, not to make two Republics, but four or five. Without, then, attaching any undue importance to the present election, we may say that it is highly interesting to the world at large, and seems to excite great expectations of good or evil in the States themselves. In fact, it is a contest not so much on the material well-being of the country as on its moral policy. Whether BUCHANAN or FREMONT be victorious will make litt'e difference to the farmers whose crops cover the northern States, to the hardy pioneers of the wilderness, or the merchants of the great towns. Probably in no country have political changes so little influence on the general concerns of life, as in the Republic which devotes so much of its time to oratory and electioneering. But for some time American citizens have been meditating on certain phenomena of their own society. Those who travel in Europe or read the writings of Europeans have learnt that the world, while fully impressed with the extent of American territory, the increase of its population, and the promise of its material greatness, is by no means disposed to propose to itself the American character as a model. This feeling is not confined to England, which might be supposed envious of a younger rival, but extends throughout Europe, both constitutional and despotic. The monstrous inconsistency of Slavery in a free Republic might be passed over if there appeared a desire on the part of the people to remove an evil which it might be said was bequeathed to them by the parent State; but when the institution is extolled, when every theory of social science and every text of Scripture is sought after to support it, then the natural feeling of the world is alienated even from those who have carried furthest the principles of popular government. The war in Kansas, where the opponents of Slavery have been expelled by an armed force whose *doings have been since ratified by the highest authority*—the assault on a Northern Senator by a member of the House of Representatives, an action applauded by half the States of the Union, and gloried in till the last by the perpetrator—are sufficient to call men's attention to the future prospects of the community to which they belong. Add too this, that the aggressive doctrines avowed by many politicians are calculated to keep the Union in a state of perpetual unrest, besides undermining those foundations of morality by which even a preponderating State on a new continent must be supported, and we have reason enough why men of all classes should look forward to the Presidential election as a decision of the community on questions of the greatest magnitude.

Mr. BUCHANAN, the Democratic candidate, has hitherto been thought by his friends as certain of an easy victory. He will be supported by the South, by the advocates of annexation and adoption, by the conquering faction in Kansas—in short, by all those sections of the population with which we in England have least in common. Mr. BUCHANAN is understood to have purposely delayed a settlement of the Central American question, and to hold opinions on the subject of an armed occupation which are directly opposed to the stipulations of the treaty. He is also said to agree with the doctrine laid down at what was called the Ostend Conference, where certain American diplomatists promulgated principles which must subject every weak State in the gift of its more powerful neighbor. The Pierce Administration has been suitable satisfactory to the country that no chance of his reelection existed, and Mr. BUCHANAN was chosen by the Democratic Party. We are told that the announcement of his name fell flat on the country; yet, as the choice was that of a great political body, he has been chosen accordingly. Within the last month, however, Col. FREMONT, the Republican candidate, has been growing in favor. Little known he had the courage to speak boldly on the subject of "Slavery" and the result was the secession of other influential parties, whose cause he espoused. The great Democratic Party in Kansas has joined the Republicans of the Northwest, and swelled the ranks of Col. FREMONT'S supporters. Three months are still to elapse before the election, and it is thought that, if an unexpected event occur, Col. FREMONT will continually rise in popularity, and eventually attain the highest place in the American Commonwealth. The pretensions of Mr. FILLMORE, however, are likely to complicate the struggle. This gentleman will be supported by a great part of the Whig Party, and the result may perhaps be that neither candidate will obtain a sufficient number of votes, and that the President will be chosen by the House of Representatives.

The newspapers which favor Colonel FREMONT are, however, sanguine of his success, and, taking the States one by one, they argue as to the probable result of the election. The New-England States are, as it may be supposed, likely to support the "Republican" candidate. In Maine the Fremont party is likely to have a large majority. In Massachusetts a large portion even of the Democrats are likely to abandon the cause of Mr. BUCHANAN. The Northwest, every day advancing in population and wealth, although sufficiently Democratic in principle, is looked upon as likely to support the more moderate politicians of the two. But the Central States, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, with their millions of inhabitants, will most probably decide the contest. New-York has now a population of more than 4,000,000, and, though enjoying no metropolitan status, is, from the greatness of its chief city, naturally most influential in a struggle of popular opinion. We are not ourselves called upon to express any judgment or sympathies in the matter. The opinions of Englishmen may be well divined. They know little of the multitudinous parties which divide American politics, and less of the men who take the lead in the Union. But when Freedom is pitted against Slavery, and a sense of justice and national right against aggression, they cannot but desire that what they consider the right cause will prevail. It is to be hoped that before another President is installed at Washington the questions now debated between the two nations will be finally settled. So far, therefore, as we are immediately concerned, the decision of the American people is not of much importance. But in the long run we are interested in the moral tone of the Republic; for if the doctrines enunciated in some quarters be accepted by its people, we cannot but fear a succession of troubles and disputes, while if better counsels prevail a period of amity and good will may commence, not soon to be disturbed.

The Southern Ground—Texas Meeting.

From the Galveston News.

AUSTIN, Texas, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 1856.

Judge OCHILTREE addressed a public meeting last night, agreeably to previous notice, on the subject of Kansas. He made a most effective speech.

He was followed by General MCLEOD, who was called for from all parts of the crowd.

After him, Mr. POAG, of Panola, was called up, and he fully equaled the anticipations of all.

All the speakers insisted on the urgent necessity there is for immediate and prompt action by the people of this State on the Kansas question.

I candidly believe, if all the people of Texas could have heard the speeches delivered here last night, it would be an easy matter *to raise men and money to aid in establishing Slavery in Kansas*; for they all showed that Slavery in this State will be seriously threatened by making Kansas a Free State.

Dr. ASBURY SMITH followed Mr. POAG, in obedience to repeated calls, and he enlarged upon and more fully established some of the positions previously taken by Gen. MCLEOD, to the effect that Slavery results from natural laws, is inherent in the primitive organization of society, and that the laws and constitutions of Governments which have recognized it in nearly all ages and nations of the world, do so simply because it was found to exist before such laws and constitutions were formed. Dr. SMITH also asserted a doctrine, which, though paradoxical, I believe to be true, namely: that *Liberty in its highest perfection can only exist in connection with Slavery*, and he showed by reference to history that such was the case in ancient Greece and Rome, and most other nations of antiquity.

Use of the Cross—A Pill for the Express.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

I noticed a card in the *Tribune* of the 14th, signed F. A. UTTER, setting forth the fact that it was at one time necessary for those gaining admission to Know-Nothing Councils to SWEAR UPON A MINIATURE CROSS placed upon a Bible; and as the Fillmore Know-Nothings still persist in charging FREMONT with being a Roman Catholic, because he at one time cut a cross on a rock, I hope they will pardon me, since they have *removed the veil of secrecy*, if I add my testimony to what has already been published.

For several months during the year 1854, those who were initiated in the Know-Nothing Councils *were compelled to take an oath* upon the *Bible, with a miniature cross upon its leaves.*

This fact I know to be true, *as it was then my duty to place the cross upon the leaves of the Bible, in the Council-room* at Poughkeepsie. I did it for months, as hundreds can testify, and, in performing my duty at that time, I administered to them the *first oath*, while their left hand rested upon the BIBLE and Cross.

It is with reluctance that I have written this, but, when I see human beings in the upright form of men charging others with being Roman Catholics because they recognize the Cross as intimately connected with the Christian faith, then I esteem it my duty—a duty which I owe to myself as well as others—to expose the inconsistency of man who, upon such a flimsy pretext, charge FREMONT with being a Roman Catholic.

If the above facts are denied, affidavits will be forthcoming. Respectfully,

C. AUGUSTUS HAVILAND.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Aug. 20, 1856.

President Pierce Denounced for Calling the Extra Session.

From the Charleston Mercury.

The question arises, has President PIERCE acted wisely in the course he has adopted? The alternative presented to him was certainly one of great responsibility. It involved, in all probability, the dismemberment of the army. This was one alternative. On the other hand, to convene Congress in extra session, as he has done, is to yield to Abolitionism the proudest victory it has yet achieved—to lay the Government at the feet of faction, to write a verdict in favor of lawlessness, and to legalize revolution. Between such alternatives, we cannot understand how a President, true to principle, or *true to party, could have for a moment hesitated*; still less, have quailed before a faction bent not only on the overthrow of the Constitution but of the party whose leader he is. We cannot suppose the conviction that the President has chosen wisely, and, in so doing, aggravated the evil which he would escape.

As a party move, the course of the President is most unfortunate. Had the Black Republicans gone to the people with all the odium of stopping the supplies fastened upon them, their chances in the contest would have been sadly marred. This single act would have done much to expose to the people of the North the designs of that party, which, deferred by no appeal of justice or the Constitution, is ready to crush not only the South, but even the Government. The true and hideous features of Abolitionism, its radical and destructive tendencies, would have been discovered in a manner which no sophistry could have vanished.

In contrast with such a party, the Democratic Party would have occupied not only a commanding constitutional position, but one eminently popular in every section of the Union.

The whole responsibility of disbanding the army would have been, not with President PIERCE, nor the *Democratic Party*, but with *the Black Republicans*, who refused the appropriations unless coupled with conditions unknown to the Constitution, and hostile to one-half of the Confederacy.

When, too, we consider the time intervened, the course of the President in calling the extra session is to be greatly deplored. What was that issue? Why, that unless the South consented to Abolitionizing the Government, the Government itself should be destroyed. To the South, in such a contest, neither safety nor hope left any choice. But the President, by his Proclamation, shows that the Government, not preserved, though Abolition traitors now on trial, repeal all laws in Kansas—but the Government, the army, must not suffer. This are higher than the rule that we gave expression to. It is not for argument, or reasoning, that you [illegible] Abolition Party in Congress will not be adopted. It by such an admission on the part of the South. They cannot but regard the action assumed in the session of their power, not only to embarrass the [illegible]

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FOREIGN ITEMS.

The *Cork Constitution* states that a Miss H——, of Clonbrock, Queen's County, was to be married on a certain day, to a Mr. H. L——. Another lover of the lady endeavored to prevent it by enlisting a party of friends, who assisted him in forcing the gate separating it from the lady's house. They also placed large stones in front to obstruct the passage of the bridal carriage; and, after completing their task, they lay in ambush awaiting the arrival of Miss H—— and her friends. Having arrived on the time appointed, and finding the obstacles placed in their way, the lady and her party left the car to remove the stones, when they were assaulted by those who had lain in ambush by the party of her former lover, and, after a struggle, carried the lady away from her party, succeeding in retaining her, and the other in seizing her off. The conflict terminated in victory for the party of the former lover, who succeeded in placing the lady on a car, and in effecting his escape with his prize, neither of whom was heard of up to Wednesday last. The intended bridegroom had his countenance much damaged. The matter has come before the magistrates.

The Calcutta (India) *Central Star* says: "Perhaps the following abstract of sale of live cattle, the proper y of the King of Oude, will not be altogether uninteresting. This list is, however, independent of cattle sold at the Kotwali and other places, which we shall, say, at a low computation, swelled about 20,000 rupees, irrespective of certain (guns, tents, &c.) sold at the Chowk Mahal, realizing, as we have been informed, about 30,000 rupees. The annexed abstract sold for as much as both these sums put together, or 70,000 rupees: about 2,840 bullocks, 528 [illegible], [illegible] &c., 110 buffaloes and calves, 355 [illegible], 12 camels, 2 giraffes, [illegible], 66 deer, 18 tigers, 8 leopards, 4 lynxes, 3 rhinoceroses, 1 common leopard, (cheetah,) 42 deer, 4 [illegible], 30 goats and kids, 50 rams, 115 sheep, 3 elks, 60 hawks, (of sorts,) 1 bear, 1 hyena, 2 wolf, 1 [illegible], 1 porcupine, 10,000 pigeons, (with their young,) 70 guinea-fowls, 920 geese, ducks, &c., 1,400 small birds, 566 cocks and hens, and 320 elephants."

A private letter from St. Petersburg contains an extract from the report of the Russian General, wherein he describes the evacuation of the Crimea by the allied troops. The following is a short paragraph from this document, which is dated July 7, from Simpheropol: "The measures taken by the French administration for the evacuation of the peninsula are remarkable. All has been most admirably foreseen and prearranged by the transport and embarkation for the sick and wounded, and the orders are carried out with a marvelous cooperation, and activity that surprises us. This very difficult operation, which we had supposed from its very nature would have lasted till the month of November, will be entirely finished within three days (July 10,) the period when the last vessels of war belonging to the allied squadrons are to set sail." In support of this very loyal appreciation on the part of the Russian General, "We must add," says the *Moniteur de l'Armée*, "that we have experienced from them the most complete and sympathetic assistance."

The following, (says *Le Nord*,) is a list of the festivities which the Russian court will give at Moscow:—A ball in the palace called Granovitaya Palata; a gala spectacle; a ball in St. Alexander's Hall in the Kremlin; a repast and festival given to the people by the Emperor; a magnificent ball and supper at the palace. Elsewhere. Add to the above the balls of the embassadors of the great nobles of the Hotel de Ville, and the reader will have a faint idea of the pleasures awaiting the visitor to the ancient capital of the Czars. Dramatic artists are on the wing, and will contribute in no trifling measure to the general amusement. We read in the *Allemagne*:—"The programme drawn up for the entertainment of the coronation by Guardia Gnedeonoff, has been approved by the Emperor. There will be at Moscow French, German and Russian plays, and an Italian opera bouffe. A French company has obtained leave to build in the city a vast bazaar, for the sale of objects of art and articles of luxury. The goods which do not find a sale may be taken back to France on payment of export duty."

Letters from Baden-Baden (says *Le Nord*) make mention of a diplomatic incident in that watering place, as an occurrence that had given rise to much comment. Count WALEWSKY, who arrived from Homburg on the morning of the 23d, happened to be in the Conversation House when Count KOSEBROUK came in. The Countess de KAMERAN, wife of the new Russian embassador at Paris, was at the moment in the saloon; she hastened to introduce to each other the French minister of foreign affairs and the celebrated Russian diplomatist. After the usual formalities the two courtiers withdrew apart and carried on a very animated conversation, that lasted for more than two hours. The two illustrious personages must have had, in fact, a great deal to say to each other, since the exchange of those famous notes that were followed by so memorable a war.

GALIGNANI'S *Messenger* says: "An immense crowd was assembled on Tuesday afternoon on the bridges and quays of the Seine, to witness the movements of a well-dressed man, who was walking on the river between the Pont du Carrousel and the lock at the Mint, apparently with the greatest ease. He had each foot in a small triangular box, securely fastened with straps round his legs, and in his hands he carried a long tolerably pole, similar to those used by rope dancers, terminated at each end was attached a large inflated bladder. When getting off his balance, he dipped the end of the pole, and the pedestrian caused by the bladder touching the water restored him to his equilibrium."

A fact which will give some idea of the splendor with which Prince PAUL ESTERHAZY is to appear at Moscow is, says the *Cologne Gazette*, that each of the six horses, reserved exclusively for his grandeur use, is valued at from 8,000 to 10,000 florins, (the florin is worth something over 2s.) The whole of his favorite horse is a tiger's skin, the edges of which are ornamented with brilliants, and on which his family arms are designed in diamonds. The luxury will be understood when we consider that the diamonds of the Esterhazy family represent a greater value than all its other property put together.

On the 20th ult., at the sitting of the Local Marine Board, at the Sailors' Home, Rev. Mr. Cogg, JOSEPH CLARK, of the ship *Rowena*, was presented with a splendid gold chronometer and chain, the gift of the President of the United States, for his humane and noble conduct in rescuing the captain and two of the crew of the American schooner *Mechanic*, which was wrecked in lat. 34° N., lon. 64° W., during a storm on her passage from Georgetown, South Carolina, to Boston, on the 17th of January this year.

The Calcutta *Citizen* relates the following: A large bee constructor is said to have taken up its residence for the present in a remote corner of the garden house of Mr. G. H. BRADDON, in Intally. A missing calf belon

SCIENTIFIC CONVENTION.

Addresses and Discussions for the Advancement of Science.

Are we all of the Blood?—The Giant's Wrist-Bones and Relics Writing the History of Man—Gases in the Air—Instruments of Dudley Observatory.

A LETTER FROM MAYOR WOOD.

A Constitutional Battle—Confusion in the Camp and Spicy Scenes.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Aug. 25, 1857.

ANIMALS ON THE MENDING—THE MAN IS THE ANIMAL.

The paper of Mr. AGASSIZ, on the Embryo, read yesterday morning, was in continuation of the subject, commenced the other day. He said that eggs of different animals so much differed that he felt confident that he could tell, upon seeing it whether an egg, even though microscopic, was the egg of a Mollusk, a Insect, or an Articulate animal, without any knowledge of the parents which it had been obtained. The shells of the eggs of the chicken, and the egg laid by the hen, were essentially the same. But when a chicken, and a year old, lays an egg we are disposed to say that the egg is a thing of quick growth, and so the hen's egg is, but not all so. The egg that the turtle laid last Spring, which will be hatched next September, to grow to its present maturity, it took seven years, and we have a seven year's story to tell of it before we know all of its history.

But, said the Professor, the egg is the *actual thing*. The embryo is only the egg growing on towards a still more mature condition. Just as the caterpillar is not a different being from the butterfly, but is the young butterfly itself, and such is the connection of the egg and the germ. The germ is the egg growing.

Mr. AGASSIZ, treating next of the constitution of the egg, stated some novel facts. The egg is not of homogeneous structure—but in every part it is cellular. The globules contained in the yolk cells are more oily, in the white more albuminous. As the egg lies at rest, the germ is developed in it always on the top—the part nearest the setting hen. From this top proceeds a dark like mac, the yolk. Size, globules of the yolk are larger than of the white, and in the white they are larger at the bottom and more smaller toward the top. Gradually the yolk is absorbed into the germ not digested by it. We pass over the theory of the process of the germ's development, he is admitted in common by his opponents and other zoologists. He next detailed the formation downward of the blasto-derma and the development of the lines of fluid. After he had discovered these embryos he was astonished to find that in the places of Jean Hunters, the same phenomena had been pictured, though there were no descriptions of them. That great man had evidently seen the discovery, but died before he found time to give it to the world with him.

MAN AMONG MAN.

Professor AGASSIZ never reads his papers, indeed he may such form as he reads them he never writes them. Now, if your readers were to have them written out, would they be able to comprehend all their points? Unless they have heard and the figures were with them, nor of the admirable method of their delivery can any idea be obtained without a personal acquaintance and observation of his admirable and eloquent manner. On taking his seat there was no one ready to dispute a point and no one needed to pose a question for a clearer apprehension of any part.

AN ENTOMBMENT.

Following this, came DANIEL WILSON's paper on the value of Primitive Conversation, as an element of Primitive Civilization. The Professor in one of the Scottish Universities, by the way has turned up opportunity rich at every new opening. If we were going to sketch an antiquarian for a new novel, we should fit for the portrait. There, in black, with the worn coat, spectacled on his that pretends to nothing, you grow more surprised at every new paragraph, and did yourself increasingly interested as he goes on with his learned, learnedly subject. He turns without looking at his notes, rapidly and clearly. On this occasion, he opened with the assertion, and then went on to explain it, that no historical inquiry, since Britain was first known, has been so much confused by the mixture of Celtic and Saxon elements. But the study of relics would furnish a chapter in English history which the History men, unaided, never could write. In illustration, he said that the relics turned up in Britain, England were clearly divided and comprised within three classes: First was the relics of the stone relics, which date back to a period when the people that used them were unlettered, and utterly ignorant of the metallurgic arts. Second were the bronze, or copper relics, indicative of the existence of a more settled and intelligent people, whose relics are found in native copper in a condition to be worked into the hammer; hence the antiquarian in these might still have been a rude workman, and utterly ignorant that he was dealing with anything differing essentially from the stones that his ancestors could only break or grind by various processes into implements for daily use. Copper to him only a more pliable stone; still the discovery of it must have an inter date than the period of the use of the stone relics, since, after copper once came into use, no nation would go back to the rude tools of stone, which were so much less serviceable.

But the iron relics make a still later period, though, owing to their rapid oxydation, they are found in a much shorter preservation. For iron in the ore could find scarcely a trace of it, which seemed to be no men of the Copper period. To fuse it, hammer it, weld it, was work of a more thoughtful, more intellectual, and hence a later people.

Nor Britain has discovered that the skulls and relics found in ancient graves may be located in relics of the world's history, and contribute to the true history of races. The skulls found among the relics of the Stone period show a very low cerebral development, the forehead is low, and the whole cranium oblong and boat-shaped; while the skulls of the Bronze period are characterized by a comparatively high and the general marks that belong to the race of the modern Britons.

The skulls and teeth of the several persons are almost equally distinctive. The teeth of the stone period are found perfect and uniform, showing that they had to do a race that lived on the simplest food, and had no grain to grind. The teeth of the Bronze period, on the other hand, are worn flat, but exhibit no decay, as of a race living on more nourishing and stimulating articles. They show, moreover, that they had much mastication and were not only to their meals. But with the iron period they took to worried teeth which have lived so much to make the teeth of later periods seemingly defective as well as worn. So, said the Doctor, in Geology has enlarged the bounds of knowledge concerning the epochs, ethology, the geological epochs, and so has increased our knowledge concerning the race of man's history. They are sure that the metaphysics of philosophy, since them has so often been a mixture of different tongues where the physical circumstances conspired to make the relics and the language tell one and the same tale. From this he proceeded to discuss the question whether species of man may by long processes of education, changed essentially. He confuted the idea of PRICHARD, that the modern Turk's cranium differs essentially from that of his early Tartar ancestor, by suggesting the fact that the modern Turk is not of the same race as the Tartar, since he is the lineal descendant of Ottoman chieftain.

ARE WE ALL OF THE BLOOD?

This, of course, brought Mr. AGASSIZ to his feet. He regretted that this subject could not be discussed without seeming to many to involve a religious prejudice. He was bold to affirm that the distinct between the races of men greater than the distinct between animals of different species. Take the family of monkeys, our next cousins. The monkey constitute a family as truly as the human race constitute a family—all monkeys sharing the same structural endowments, capabilities and propensities, even as man shares theirs. The monkey family is a unity, even as the human family is—and no more so. Man *has* *denied the unity of the monkey family*; on the other hand, I insist upon it. The unity of the monkey family is recognized in its physical, intellectual and moral nature, in the three points of superiority, and in all other points that constitute its individuality. And there is the same unity in the monkeys, in form the same identity of structure, instincts, and so on.

And yet the Orang, the African type of monkey, is as distinct from the Ottomanese, the Asiatic type, that they must make three distinct genera. Now between the races of man there is a greater difference than between the Orang and the Chimpanzee. Between the races of man, with the relative position of the two, there is no room to differ in the individuality of the race of man; and the races of man do differ more than the heads of these two genera of monkeys. That word species, said the Professor, very much disgusts us, so loosely is it used. Let us be guarded these words, however. Let us know consciously the difference between the races, and when they are found to be so great that one race positively could not be derived from the other, then it is time enough to say we have the species. In immediate *purport, however, for our investigation*, the question to be answered (version of the races, the question to be answered) *would to justify the supposition that we may* [illegible] that these were the operations and impulses of man.

Prof. DAWSON (*McGill College, Canadian*) took up the question. He spoke very modestly, but to the effect that he was never in his life with those who gave so little with such a strong away we should accept as occupying had such an idea to have been regarded by the Institute in a revolutionary manner, as the Institute in Scientific progressed, proved its fickleness. And so

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The White Slave Trade.

The chief savages of the African Continent are not the only race who are made merchandise of by their fellow men. Neither is the African Slave-trade the only abomination of the kind that exists under the sun. The mountain-land of Circassia, a part of that region which extends from the Euxine to the Caspian, is inhabited by a people who have ever been distinguished for symmetry of form and beauty of feature, and the maidens of this highly favored race have for centuries been objects of the slave-dealers' cupidity, on account of the great demand which has existed for them among the lascivious and polygamous Turks. Between the parents and relatives of these Circassian beauties and the dealers in question an infamous traffic has been carried on, and the slave-markets of Constantinople and the other cities of the Ottoman Empire have, in this way, been supplied with females who have become the ornaments of the Mahometan harems, and the mothers of Mahometan sovereigns and nobles.

From the period when Russia obtained dominion over the coast of the Caucasus up to the outbreak of the late war, she did everything in her power to put a stop to this disgraceful commerce, and her efforts at destroying it were attended with considerable success. But, since the influence of the Turks and their allies became predominant in that quarter, the shameful traffic has revived, and is now again in a very flourishing condition. Flourishing, however, as it is, the days of its prosperity are happily numbered. Russia will presently resume her supremacy over the Caucasian Coast, and then her efforts, as of old, will be directed to the suppression of this *white* Slave-trade. The conviction that the power of Russia will be thus employed, has filled the *women-sellers* of Circassia with despair; and, according to the Constantinople correspondent of the London *Morning Post*, there is no expedient which desperation or cupidity can suggest to them that they are not at the present moment making use of, in order to avert the impending catastrophe; and, lest that should be impossible, to draw an *extra* profit from their odious avocation, while it is allowable to do so.

Under the impression that Turkey is still a power upon earth, a deputation of these people are even now at the Court of the Sultan entreating ABDUL MEJID to extend the ægis of protection over the Circassian soil, and to preserve to its inhabitants their ancient and hereditary commerce. Apprehensive of their mission failing, and uncertain as to the time when a Russian ukase shall be issued against them, they have poured such a multitude of slaves into the markets of Turkey that they have completely defeated the object which their cupidity has had in view. The supply is now so over-proportioned to the demand that a slave can be *almost* bought in Constantinople for a *song*, and is no longer a source of *gain*, but of *loss* to her *owner*. "*Never, perhaps, at any former period*," says the correspondent in question,

"Was *white* human flesh so cheap as it is at this moment. There is an absolute glut in the market, and dealers are obliged to *throw away* their goods owing to the extent of the supply. In former times 'a good middling' Circassian girl was thought very cheap at £100, but at the present moment the same description of goods may be had for £5! In fact the creatures are eating their heads off, and must be disposed of at any sacrifice, however alarming.'

Now we should rejoice at the failure of the slave-dealers' speculation, were slave-dealers alone the sufferers. But it unfortunately happens that that failure has proved not *less* injurious to the interests of *slaves in general* than to the interests of *slave-dealers*. The great depreciation in the value of Circassian maidens has tended very much to *embitter* the lot of the whole slave population of the Ottoman Empire. Formerly when a Circassian girl brought a *good* price, she was pretty sure of being bought into a respectable family, where not only *kind* treatment, but often *rank* and *fortune* awaited her. With *low* prices, however, a *low* class of purchasers have come into the market, and now she is liable to be taken by any huckster who never thought of keeping a slave before, and who may subject her to drudgery and oppression. But female slaves of the negro race are still greater sufferers from the overtrading in question than even the Circassians. Since Circassians became so cheap, every Turk has grown ambitious of possessing *white* slaves, and in order to make room for them in his household, or to make up the means of purchasing them, aged negresses that have been years in the family have been cruelly discarded and sent to the *slave-brokers for sale!*

Such are some of the hardships and enormities that have sprung from the cupidity and over-speculation of the Circassian slave-dealers, and all these things have been taking place under the eyes of the Sultan's Christian allies—nations who have expended millions of money in maintaining squadrons in the Atlantic Ocean, to put down the African slave-trade. But the days of that commerce, we trust, are numbered. In a *little time* the influence of Russia will again prevail on the eastern coast of the Euxine, and her efforts will again be directed towards the suppression of a traffic which has for centuries made that great sea a highway of cruelty.

No Ambassador Yet.

It is three months since Mr. CRAMPTON and the three British Consuls were dismissed, and, though their vacated places have not yet been filled, none of the apprehended evils which were expected to follow their departure from the country have happened. The commercial interests of the country have not suffered in any degree from the suspension of consular and diplomatic agents; and, as in international politics, we have not enjoyed so long a period of absolute quiet in many years as since the British Minister was dismissed. The report of this diplomatic mission of Hon. Mr. LOWE, brought by the last Steamer, is yet confirmed by the news by the *Niagara*, which arrived at Halifax yesterday. That gentleman's visit to this country is of a purely private nature, and not only has no successor to Mr. CRAMPTON been appointed, but no indication has been given of an intention to appoint one. The probability is, that the British Government will wait the issue of our Presidential election, and then conform itself to the character of the successor of our present Executive; so we may anticipate a perfectly quiet time of it, as far as our relations with Great Britain are concerned, until after the 4th of next March. Lord PALMERSTON is determined not to be involved, in any way, in our Presidential contest, and he will be able to recommence diplomatic negotiations with the successor of Mr. MARCY wholly untrammeled by any personal prejudices on the part of his representative.

A Real Cotton Lord.

Though Cotton has long been one of the great powers in the machinery of British Government, a Cotton lord was rather a figure of speech than a reality. There were mighty men in Manchester, but there were no callco coronets in the British peerage, and no commander of a cohort of spindles had ever been raised to a level with the great military commanders whose achievements opened to them the doors of the House of Peers. Sir ROBERT PEEL was, as O'CONNELL called him, the "son of a spinning jenny," but the baronetcy conferred upon his father was the only title bestowed upon the cottonocracy. The idea of decorating the brow of a spinning jenny with a coronet, but a few years ago, would have been hailed with derision. But the peerage must be replenished with plebeian blood, and, as the late war with Russia gave but one addition to the House of Lords, it was necessary to look in another quarter for recruits. Lord ASHBURTON was taken from the Merchants, as a compliment to that great interest, Lord OVERSTONE, a Manchester man, was taken from the Bankers, as a compliment to that important class, and it was but natural that the spindles should be complimented by a similar honor.

The Queen, with great propriety and good sense, has raised to the dignity of the peerage a representative of the cottonocracy in the person of a wealthy spinner, named SMITH, whom she has created Baron BELPER, and whose descendants will be hereditary legislators of the British Empire to the end of the chapter of the British peerage. The act is a sign of the times, an indication of the change which is daily going on in the constitution of society; it is an acknowledgement that the days of feudalism are ended, and though the traditions of the past are still preserved in external forms, the old spirit has succumbed to the new order of things. "The Duke of NORFOLK deals in salt," and to acquire wealth by honest industry is esteemed as honorable as to gain it by robbery—by deeds of blood and violence. To be useful to the country is deemed as meritorious as to be personally serviceable to the monarch. A wealthy manufacturer has been metamorphosed into a peer of the realm, and Englishmen will hereafter engage in the cotton-spinning business with an exclamation similar to that of NELSON, when he went into battle,—"*The Bankrupt Court or a peerage*,"—for that mausoleum of kings, poets and heroes, Westminster Abbey, has not yet opened its hallowed portals to the manufacturing interests.

Now that peerages have been conferred upon a merchant, a banker, and a mill-owner, perhaps the next move will be in the direction of science, literature, or art. If the sense of the British nation were to be taken upon the subject, perhaps it would be decided that DICKENS the novelist, BARRY the architect, or STEPHENSON the engineer, had done as much to add to the glory of the British name, and promote the prosperity of the people, as SMITH the man of spindles.

But the principle which governs in selecting the persons on whom titles and honors are conferred by the Throne, in England, appears to be to choose those who have made the most money, and not those who have done the most good. Wealth, not worth, makes the man. Thus we see LANDSEER, the painter, is made a Knight, as an acknowledgment of his great talent, but the shrewd little print-seller, MOON, who made his fortune by dealing in the works produced by the painter, is created a Baronet; BARRY, the architect of the new Houses of Parliament—the only public structure of which England justly can boast since the days of WREN—has the order of knighthood bestowed upon him, while JOHN LLOYD, the wealthy money dealer, is made a Peer.

The act of Queen VICTORIA in elevating a cotton lord into a real lord, and putting the proprietor of spindles upon the same bench with the descendants of bloody-hand baronets and mailed barons, may be an acknowledgment of the growing power of commerce and the fading glory of feudalism, or it may be a political necessity; for, if the army and navy and the landed interest cannot furnish the necessary material for new lords, it was certainly a wise measure to go among the manufacturers for the right man to put in the right place. But, it must tax the ingenuity of the Herald's Office to find suitable coats of arms for these ennobled manufacturers, note-shavers and commission merchants. The griffins, lions, eagles and unicorns, and the barbarous Latin mottos that have served as the crests and arms of the old nobility whose ancestors fought at Cressy and Agincourt, would be strangely out of place applied to a noble Lord who owed his elevation solely to his skill in buying cotton at the lowest possible price and selling his yarns a farthing higher than his rival. Three spindles in a chevron, or a bale of cotton crased, for a crest, would be a strange decoration to the panels of a coach. However, we dare say that Garter-King-at-Arms and Baron BELPER have arranged the matter to their own satisfaction, and it is certainly no business of ours. But, as our cousins on the other side of the Atlantic are constantly accusing us of worshiping the Almighty Dollar, it strikes us that the elevation to the peerage of their countryman on the sole ground of their wealth should have the effect of putting an end to this particular twitting at least.

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We continue condensed extracts from letters received at the Commercial Agency of Messrs. TAPPAN & McINTOSH, No. 5 Beekman-street, (in the Park Bank Building.) It should be stated that these accounts are from intelligent observers who are not interested in selling produce, and who only allude to the state of the crops for the purpose of showing the general business prospects in their several localities.

ILLINOIS.

Jackson County, Aug. 18.—The yield of Wheat is falling much below last year, and will average throughout the County 10 bushels per acre, the number of acres in Wheat cannot be less than one-half more than any previous year, so that in the aggregate the yield of Wheat in this County must be well-nigh double that of any previous year. The quality was never better. The prospect for Corn is fine, and the number of acres in cultivation is much increased over any previous year. In the fifteen days since the Wheat commenced being delivered, somewhere about [illegible] have been paid by the merchants of Murphysboro alone in its purchase. Taking altogether the prospects here are flattering as well for merchants as for farmers.

Shelby County, July 31.—The Wheat crop in this section is very large, of a fine quality, and is safely harvested. Corning. Oats have not done so well. The yield will not be an average.

Tazewell County, Aug. 4.—The harvests of Fall Wheat in this section are very good—have never known a better yield, but that there is little year—Spring Wheat is not so good; but the crop is an average, much to the contrary of the opinion of a month or two weeks ago. It was then supposed to be almost a failure. Oats are good for a light crop. In consequence of the drouth, that the crop would be almost a failure. Oats are good for a light crop. It has been unusually dry. The crop is of very little, and large fields of Oats will not be harvested at all. The recent rains have brought up the Corn crop, and the prospect now in this section is an abundant yield.

Marshall County, Aug. 12.—The crops are better than average. Wheat is of a superior quality and yields an average yield. Oats rather short. Barley is [illegible] Corn never looked better. The potato crop will fall short owing to the drouth in the early part of the season.

Bureau County, Aug. 13.—The Wheat crop in this county is fully up to average in regard to quality. The quality was never better.

Henry County, Aug. 16.—Our harvest prospects are now as flattering as at this season. Farmers are agreeably disappointed by the large yield. The dry weather in June has caused the straw to stop growing but the rains since seem to have caused the heads to grow quite disproportionate to the stock; the yield proves to be more than an average one, and the quality excellent; considering there is very little new land under cultivation the crops are not relatively large. Corn is not much raised here and what we have is looking well. So are other crops.

IOWA.

Jones County, Aug. 4.—The Wheat crop is abundant but the Corn will hardly be an average yield. Oats look well. Potatoes also.

Clinton County, Aug. 1.—Our crops this year generally are good. Wheat will average about 20 bushels to the acre. Oats was never better. Corn will not yield as well as common. Potatoes are light.

VIRGINIA.

Jackson County, Aug. 12.—Cotton, Corn and Tobacco are the principal productions of the County. The prospect is good at present for a very fair yield. Corn enough to answer the demands of the county.

Monroe County, Aug. 12.—The staple crops of this section are Cotton and Corn,—judging from present appearances the yield this year will be good.

OHIO.

Cuyahoga County, Aug. 8.—Wheat and Corn are our staple productions. Present appearances indicate an average crop of Wheat and two-thirds of a crop of Corn; the diminished crop produced by the effects of the drouth of Summer.

Huron County, Aug. 11.—Our chief productions are Wheat, Corn, Rye and Oats. The Mediterranean variety of Wheat, average crop; Blue stem or White Wheat much injured by insect—not over half a crop; all well secured. Clover will be much better than last year. Corn has been much injured by late drouth; there will not be over one-half of the yield of last year. Clay soil and old ridge land has suffered extremely from drouth. Rye and Oats are an average yield. Potatoes have suffered much from drouth; yield not have over one-half our usual crop.

Lake County, Aug. 4.—The yield of Wheat this season is probably fair; Oats light; Corn, since the late rains, promises well; Potatoes will be small.

MISSISSIPPI.

Panola County, Aug. 16.—Cotton, Corn and Wheat are the chief productions. The Wheat crop this year is rather indifferent. Cotton and Corn are looking remarkably well. Late Corn suffers some for want of rain.

Tippah County, Aug. 8.—Our Wheat crop is very poor and short. Last year a good deal of Wheat was shipped from this county. This year the supply will not equal the home consumption. Corn and Cotton look very promising early in the season, though suffering much from drouth at this time. Crops will be about an average.

TENNESSEE.

Dyer County, Aug. 4.—Have about the same amount this year as last, though twice the number of acres were sown, and engagements are now making at 50c. ℔ bushel. There is a large supply of old Corn on hand offered at 30c. ℔ bushel, and the prospect for a new crop is very flattering. Rye and Oats make up about an average crop. There seems to be a good supply of fine young Hogs on hand, and should the growing crop of Corn yield as well as anticipated, we shall be able to furnish more Hogs this year than last. In consequence of the appearance of a small striped insect, known here as the "Potato Bug," Irish Potatoes are nearly a failure, and in fact all other vegetables of every description, in consequence of these "bugs," have made a very poor yield. The prospects of the farmer in Tennessee are as flattering, indeed, as ever before.

Madison County, Aug. 5.—The crops in our immediate vicinity are and are looking finely. We shall make excellent crops of Corn and Cotton, but in some of the surrounding districts they will fall almost entirely on account of the drouth which has prevailed to an alarming extent.

Hardeman County, Aug. 16.—Wheat and Oats are extremely good. Corn looks very slim—will not be half a yield. Potatoes look badly.

VIRGINIA.

Jackson County, Aug. 12.—Cotton, Corn and Tobacco are the principal productions of the County. The prospect is good at present for a very fair yield. Corn enough to answer the demands of the county.

Monroe County, Aug. 12.—The staple crops of this section are Cotton and Corn, and judging from present appearances the yield this year will be good.

ALABAMA.

Madison County, Aug. 5.—Cotton, Corn and Wheat are the staple productions of the county. Some thirty days ago we had a very fine prospect for good crops of cotton and Corn, but the excessive drouth has cut of those crops at least one half, if not more. Wheat was below.

GEORGIA.

Spalding County, Aug. 16.—Our Corn crop in many parts of this section is entire failure, not more than one-half of a crop. Fall Wheat looks very promising. Oats are very poor, probably a half crop. The crops of all kinds shorter than for many years.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Iredell County, Aug. 16.—Our principal crops are Cotton, Corn and Wheat, and the prospects of present and good crops are flattering. A fine yield is expected.

TEXAS.

Harrison County, Aug. 1.—This is a new county, and the farmers are trying to raise something to subsist on. All sorts of grain would do well. Wheat and Corn are principally grown. Owing to the long drouth, the Corn crops will be rather short. Our Wheat crop was very good.

Wood County, Aug. 1.—Corn and Cotton are the staple productions of this county. Crops of all kinds are fine, and in some portions of the district the Cotton crops look uncommonly well.

MARKET REPORTS.

Markets—Carefully Reported for N. Y. Daily Times.

TUESDAY, Aug. 26—6 P. M.

ASHES—Are salable and steady, at $7 75 for Pearls, and $6 81¼@$6 87½ for Pots, ℔ 100 lbs. Receipts and stock limited.

COFFEE—Remains very quiet at about previous quotations; Java, 14½c.@14¾c.; Laguayra, 11¾c.@11¾c.; Maracaibo, 11½c.@11¾c.; Rio, 9¾c.@11¼c.; and St. Domingo at 10¾c.@10¾c. ℔ lb. We are to have an auction sale of Java, to-morrow, and another of Rio, on Friday. Buyers are reluctant to move, in anticipation of these. Mr. Wm Scorr, broker, reports the stock of all kinds, thus; Rio, 61,887; Java, mats, 8,000; Java, Government bags, 9,600; Native Ceylon, 13,900; Maracaibo, 7,686; Laguayra, 4,070; St Domingo, 400; other descriptions, 4,600; total, 99,443 pkgs.

COPPER—Is selling slowly at unaltered rates.

COTTON—Is in very moderate request, and is obtainable at 11¼c.@11¾c. for Upland Middling; 11¾c.@11¾c. for Gulf do., and proportionate rates for other descriptions ℔ lb.

FISH—The market appears devoid of animation, but prices of nearly all kinds are quoted pretty firm.

FLOUR AND MEAL—With increased receipts and a limited demand, the market for State and Western Flour exhibits less firmness. The *Niagara's* advices also work against buoyancy in prices. The sales since our last comprise about 6,500 bbls., in lots, mainly at rates within the annexed range:

Ordinary State	$6 00@$6 15
Straight State	*6 15@6 20*
Favorite and Extra State	6 20@6 30
Common to Good Michigan	5 60@5 95
Common to Good Indiana & Upper Lake	6 15@6 40
Common to Good Ohio	6 20@6 50
Fancy Michigan	6 20@6 90
Fancy Ohio	6 60@6 70
Extra Michigan	6 20@7 00
Extra Indiana and Wisconsin	6 35@7 50
Extra Ohio	6 75@8 00
Fancy Genesee	6 75@7 00
Extra Genesee	7 00@9 50
Extra Missouri	6 50@9 00

Canadian is unchanged, the transactions since our last having amounted to about 500 bbls. ordinary to extra, mostly at $6 25@$7 75 ℔ bbl. Southern is pretty brisk, but infirm. The sales since our last comprise about 3,500 bbls. Mixed to Fancy and best Extra, at $7@$8 20, and $9 50 ℔ bbl. Rye Flour is dull and heavy, $3@$4 75 for Fine and Superfine ℔ bbl. Corn Meal is in fair supply, and slack request, at $3 50@$3 60 for Jersey, and $4 for Brandywine, ℔ bbl. The latter brings $16 50@$17 in puncheons.

GRAIN—Wheat is less inquired for and is decidedly cheaper. The sales since our last have been confined to about 34,000 bushels—including very inferior to prime Western Red, at $1 15@$1 55; choice do. White, at $1 65@$1 67; fair to prime Southern Red, at $1 45@$1 56; and prime Southern White, at $1 66@$1 67 ℔ bushel. Rye is scarce and in demand; good to Prime is worth 85c.@86c. ℔ bushel. Oats are in pretty fair request, and generally command 47c.@49c. for Ohio and Lake; 46c.@48c. for Canadian; 43c.@46c. for State; 43c.@45c. for Jersey, and 38c.@42c. for Southern, ℔ bushel. Corn is still pretty briskly inquired for, but is infirm. The supply is heavier. The sales reported since our last comprise about 49,000 bushels at 56c.@59c. for unsound, heated and damp; 59c.@63c. for common to prime Mixed; 65c.@67c. for fair to good Southern Yellow; and 65c.@70c. for common to good Southern White, ℔ bushel.

HAY—About 600 bales River were purchased at 60c.@65c. for shipment, and 75c.@67½c. for local use, ℔ 100 lbs.

HIDES—Are in good request at well sustained prices.

HOPS—Are still selling very moderately and irregularly at 7c.@20c. ℔ lb.

IRON—Remains dull and heavy, as before quoted. 50 tons Scotch Pig were disposed of at $30 75@$31 50 ℔ ton.

LATHS—Eastern continue in moderate supply and good request, at $1 31¼@$1 37½ ℔ thousand.

LEAD—Rules quiet at previously quoted figures.

LEATHER—Is in fair demand at steady rates.

LIME—Rockland is inactive, yet firm, at 65c. for Common, and $1 40 for Lump, ℔ bbl.

MOLASSES—Appears in slack demand, but it is steady in price. New-Orleans, 54c.@56c.; Porto Rico, 44c.@46c.; Cuba Muscovado, 41c.@45c., and Clayed Cuba, 35c.@40c. ℔ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Resin, Tar and Crude Turpentine seem in moderate request at about former quotations. Spirits Turpentine is attracting more attention, and it is now worth from 41c @42c. ℔ gallon.

OILS—We have heard of no important movement in Whale, Sperm or Olive. Linseed continues in very light supply and fair request here and to arrive, mostly at $1 04@$1 07, ℔ gallon. Lard Oil is dull and heavy at from 92½c @$1 ℔ gallon.

PROVISIONS—Pork is inactive and languid, with sales reported since our last of about 600 bbls., in lots, at $19 12½@$19 25 for Mess, and $17 87½@$18 for Prime, ℔ bbl. Cut Meats are quiet and declining at 9c.@9¼c. for Hams, and 8¾c.@8½c. for Shoulders, ℔ lb. Bacon is in very light supply and demand, at irregular prices. Lard is salable and firm. Stock light. The transactions since our last reach about 950 bbls. fair to Prime, at 13¼c.@13½c. ℔ lb. Beef continues abundant and depressed, though being pretty entirely sought after. The sales since our last consist of 900 bbls., at $6@$7 for Country Prime; $8@$9 25 for Country Mess; $8 50@$11 for repacked do., and $11@$13 50 for extra do., ℔ bbl. Prime Mess Beef now commands but $14@$17 ℔ tc. Beef Hams are scarce and quiet, at prices ranging from $14@$17 ℔ bbl. Butter is plenty, and is selling moderately at 14c.@16c. for Ohio; 16c.@20c. for common to very good State; and 22c.@26c. for prime to very choice do. ℔ lb. Cheese is in fair supply and request at 6c.@9c. ℔ lb.

RICE—There were only 80 tcs. bought to day, mostly at $3 62½@$4 25 ℔ 100 lbs.

SALT—Is in fair demand, and factors look for higher prices.

SEEDS—Are generally scarce and wanted at irregular rates.

SOAP—There were 150 boxes Castile taken at 10½c.@10¾c. ℔ lb.

SPICES—Are moderately dealt in at old figures.

SUGARS—Are in good request, but are infirm. The sales since our last reach about $1 000 hhds. Cuba, &c., in lots, mostly at from 7¾c @8½c. ℔ lb.

TALLOW—Is less abundant, and held above the views of buyers.

TEAS—Are pretty actively sought after at well supported prices.

TOBACCO—Appears quiet, yet steady, with sales since our last of about 75 hhds. Kentucky at 9c.@13c.; 80 cases Seed Leaf at 8½c.@23c., and 188 bales Havana at 24c @36c. ℔ lb.

WHISKY—We have only to report sales of 280 bbls. Ohio and Prison, closing at 34c. ℔ gallon.

FREIGHTS—Were rather inactive, yet otherwise unaltered. For Liverpool, Cotton, ¼d. ℔ lb.; Flour, 1s. 6d. ℔ bbl.; Grain, 6d.@7d., in bulk and bags, ℔ bushel; Resin, 1s. 9d.@1s. 10½d. ℔ bbl.; Beef, 4s. ℔ tc.; Tobacco, 22s.@25s. ℔ hhd.; and Heavy Goods, 20s.@30s. ℔ ton. For other ports, proportionate quotations.

Spirit of the Trade Circulars.

A. P. DE LUKE'S FLOUR AND GRAIN CIRCULAR.

Per Canada, via Boston.] NEW-YORK, Aug. 26, 1856.

FLOUR—State and Western—My last report was of the 19th inst., per *Asia*. We are since in possession of the *Africa's* and *North America's* advices to 9th and 16th inst.—the latter by telegraph from Quebec. With light receipts, caused by breaks in the Erie Canal, and with a good inquiry, principally for the home trade, prices have improved 50c.@40c. ℔ bbl. For forward delivery nothing has transpired. The *Niagara's* advices to 16th inst. have been just telegraphed from Halifax. *Clearances from New-York, from Aug. 19 to Aug. 23, both inclusive:* To London, 3,284 bbls.; Liverpool, 4,856; Glasgow, 292; Havre, 1,383; Cadiz, 2,050; Lisbon, 1,073; Melbourne, 3,996; British Provinces, 3,449; West Indies, 637; South America, 3,051.

WHEAT—Under the effect of a very moderate supply in market, occasioned by the interruption to canal navigation alluded to above, and with a good inquiry for export, in a measure to complete cargoes, prices have gradually improved 5c.@7c. ℔ bushel. *Clearances from New-York from Aug 19 to Aug. 23, both inclusive:* To Liverpool, 119,598 bush.; Glasgow, 11,296; Havre, 22,175; Cadiz, 7,499.

INDIAN CORN—With a fair export and home inquiry, prices slightly fluctuated during the week, closing at an improvement of 1c.@2c. ℔ bush. A sale of 30,000 bush. mixed is reported for delivery during first half November at 70c. ℔ bush. *Clearances from New-York from Aug. 19 to Aug. 23, both inclusive:* To Liverpool, 75,499 bush.; West Indies, 756; British Provinces, 220.

RYE—Little has been done. Supply offering light; can be quoted about 85c.@86½c. ℔ 56 lbs. for prime Northern. *Clearances from New-York from Aug. 19 to Aug. 23, both inclusive:* To Falmouth, 10,613 bush.; Lisbon, 4,325.

FREIGHT—To London, Flour 1s. 10½d. ℔ bbl. Liverpool, Flour 1s 6d. ℔ bbl.; Grain 6½d.@7d. ℔ bush. Havre, Flour 60c.@70c. ℔ bbl.; Grain 15c.@17c. ℔ bush.

UNITED STATES COURT OF CLAIMS.—The undersigned, JOHN C. DEVEREUX, of New-York City, and R. THOMPSON, of Washington, D. C., attorneys and counsellors-at-law, are associated for the legal prosecution of claims, for creditors of government, in the Court of Claims.

They will concentrate attention to business matters at Washington which may be intrusted to their care by the profession or claimants, in the City of New-York, or elsewhere in any part of the Union.

They may be consulted at any time, personally or by letter, either at New-York or Washington.

JOHN C. DEVEREUX,
No. 80 Broadway, cor. Wall-st., New-York.
R. THOMPSON, Washington City.

P. S.—J. C. DEVEREUX is a Commissioner of the Court of Claims.

NEW-YORK CITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

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☞ Any additions to the above list should be brought to the office of R. M. PETTENGILL & CO., No. 119 Nassau-st.

AUCTION SALES.

ANTHONY J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.

ANTHONY J. BLEECKER & CO.—WE shall sell at public auction, at the Merchants' Exchange, in the City of New-York, on MONDAY, the 1st day of September next, at 12½ o'clock, $420,000 EIGHT PER CENT. FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS of the MILWAUKEE AND HORICON RAILROAD COMPANY.

These Bonds bear date May 1, 1856, and payable May 1, 1906, and are convertible into stock at the option of the holder at any time within five years from their date, with interest of eight per cent., payable semi-annually, on presentation of the coupons annexed, at the Bank of the Republic, in the City of New-York.

They are secured by a mortgage upon, and are a first lien upon forty-two miles of the road between its junction with the La Crosse and Milwaukee Railroad, in the village of Horicon, in the County of Dodge, and the village of Berlin, in the County of Marquette, together with all the rolling stock, depôt grounds, and all other property of the Company, and by a sinking fund sufficient to extinguish the whole mortgage debt of the Company before the maturity of the bonds.

Should there be a failure on the part of the Company, or default in the payment of the annual deposit to the sinking fund as specified, the Trustees, ROBERT H. LOWRY, Esq., Cashier of the Bank of the Republic, in the City of New-York, is authorized and directed to foreclose the mortgage in same manner as if default was made in the payment of principal or interest on said bonds, then putting it out of the power of the Company to evade this obligation.

The Road is now completed to the village of Waupun, fifteen miles from its junction with the La Crosse and Milwaukee Railroad, a point sixty-six miles northwest from Milwaukee, and has been in operation since the 20th of February last, and is so situated, geographically, that it will always be without competition, as no other road can be constructed to compete for the business that is justly tributary to it without being much more circuitous and distant, besides being much more costly in construction. The 15 miles of road have earned in the three months ending May 26, over $12,400, which is a much larger amount in proportion to its length, than was earned by the Milwaukee and Mississippi Railroad in the corresponding months in the year 1854, the first year that Road was opened to Madison—and that amount was much less than it would have been had it not been for the crop fail in produce, which prevented farmers from sending their grains forward to market.

When the Road has earned an amount net equal to eight per cent. per annum on this issue of bonds they will be received by the Comptroller as securities for banking purposes; and with the increase in value of the banking capital, there will be a home demand for these bonds.

Copies of the Charter of the Company, and the Bond and mortgage, and resolutions of the Board of Directors authorizing their execution, may be obtained at the office of the Auctioneer, and capitalists are invited to examine the exhibit of this Company and see on what foundation it rests for a business second to none in the flourishing State of Wisconsin, and which makes these securities as desirable as any in the market for investment.

J. B. SMITH, President.

ANTHONY J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.

ADMINISTRATORS' SALE.—By order of the administrators of the estate of JAMES HAY, deceased, and in pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the County of Westchester, will be sold at public auction, on the premises, by ANTHONY J. BLEECKER & CO., Auctioneers, on WEDNESDAY, the 3d day of September, at 12 o'clock at noon, the valuable property known as the FARM AND COUNTRY SEAT OF THE LATE JAMES HAY, situated in the town of Pelham, Westchester County.

The estate consists of a Country Seat of about 30 acres, and a farm adjoining of about 130 acres.

The Country Seat is one of the most elegant in this country, having been planned by the deceased expressly for his own use and without regard to cost. The Mansion is a spacious edifice, built of stone laid in cement, and contains all the required accommodations for a gentleman's residence, with broad halls, large dining and drawing rooms, study, and conservatories; marble mantels and grates throughout; speaking tubes, bells, furnaces, &c. On the second floor there are six, and on the third floor four chambers with all necessary closets, &c. Under the Mansion, on the basement floor is a commodious kitchen and laundry, supplied with water; larder, store-room, servants' hall, school-room, milk-room, &c., with every desirable appurtenance. Well, cisterns, and ice-house near by.

The outbuildings consist of two cottages, (one a handsome Gothic building,) barns, carriage-house, stables, cider-mill, &c.

The grounds near the house are laid out in a highly ornamental style, with an abundance of rare shrubs, deciduous and evergreen trees, tastefully grouped, and in full growth. The garden is an extensive and excellent one, is traversed by a never-failing stream of water, and ornamented with rare plants of every description.

The fruits, which comprise every variety known in this climate, are in full bearing, and of the best quality.

It is proposed to so divide the lands as to sell the buildings and about 40 acres in one parcel, and the balance of the eighty acres in two or three building plots.

The portion known as the Farm, and consisting of about 120 acres, comprises orchards, meadow, and tillable land, and will be divided into parcels of ten or twenty acres each, in such a manner as to make several first class building sites.

This property is situated within 16 miles of the City Hall, New-York, one-half mile from the Pelham, and one and a half miles from the Mount Vernon Depôts of the New-Haven Rail-road, at either of which persons may be found to direct visitors to the place. Cars leave the corner of Broadway and Canal-st. daily, for Mount Vernon, (where vehicles may at all times be obtained,) at 6:05 and 9:15 A. M., and 1:45, 3:45, 4:45, and 6:15 P. M. Return at 8:56, 7:14, 8:05, and 9:37 A. M., and 4:55, and 6:35 P. M. Trains for Pelham leave at 9 A. M., and 3:15 and 5:15 P.M., and return at 8:39 and 7:10 A. M., and 4:24 P. M.

Visitors are requested to apply at the entrance gate on the road from Pelham to East Chester.

For a descriptive map, or any other information in the premises, apply to the Auctioneers, No. 7 Broad-st., New-York.

Sale positive, to close the estate.

EUGENE B. FRANKLIN, Auctioneer.

DESIRABLE AUCTION SALE OF SECOND-HAND AND NEW FURNITURE, FRENCH PLATE MIRRORS, CARPETS, SILVER-PLATED WARE, FANCY GOODS, &c.—FRANKLIN NICHOLS & CO. will sell at their salesroom, No. 95 Nassau-st., near Fulton, THIS (Wednesday) MORNING, at 10½ o'clock, about $10,000 worth of superior cabinet-made furniture, comprising a general assortment of first-class cabinet-made furniture, embracing every article in the line, being a collection from several of the best manufacturers in the City, upon which advances have been made during the dull season. This sale is particularly worthy the attention of the trade, housekeepers and parties residing out of the City, as there will be sold rosewood, mahogany, walnut, oak, and enameled furniture, suitable for parlors, library, chamber and dining rooms and halls. Also, a large lot of French plate pier glasses and mantel mirrors oil-paintings, engravings, silver plated ware, glass and china ware, toilet sets, cutlery, fancy articles, hair and spring mattresses, palliasses, &c., and a quantity of second-hand furniture, carpets, &c., removed for convenience of sale.

SYLVESTER STOWE, Auctioneer.

BY T. O. HOGHTON, TO-MORROW, (Thursday,) at 10½ o'clock, at salesrooms, No. 118 Nassau-st., large sale of rich and fashionable rosewood, oak, mahogany, and walnut furniture, piano-fortes, French plate mantel and pier glasses, oil-paintings, cut glass, china and silver ware, table cutlery, &c., consisting in part of 6 superior 7-octave rosewood piano-fortes, by some of the best City makers; 12 suites of elegant rosewood parlor furniture, in brocatel and plush, a part of which are of solid rosewood, beautifully carved; splendid carved étageres, with mirror front and backs, which for style and finish are equal to any ever made in this City; marble-top centre tables, richly carved on the solid wood, a very superior article; pier and sofa do do.; 14 secretary bookcases; 16 library bookcases; 24 extension dining tables, of oak, walnut and mahogany; dining room chairs in every variety of style; sofas; bibs 4-4 to 10-4; lounges; easy and arm chairs; spring seat parlor chairs; 50 rosewood and mahogany bedsteads; marble-top dressing bureaus and washstands; commodes; wardrobes; hair mattresses; paillasses; enameled cottage sets, &c. Catalogues on morning of sale.

FREE & COLE, Auctioneers.

Salesroom No. 249 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

MORTGAGE SALE OF FURNITURE AND FIXTURES of a Hair-Dressing Saloon, THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock, at No. 89 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

THURSDAY, Aug. 28, at 10 o'clock.

BOARDING HOUSE FURNITURE—At No. 190 Fulton-st., Brooklyn, a general assortment of parlor, chamber and kitchen furniture, carpets, oil-cloths, China and glass ware, &c.

MONDAY, Sept. 1.

MORTGAGE SALE OF ELEGANT HOTEL FURNITURE—At 10 o'clock, on the premises corner Hicks and Montague sts., Brooklyn, all the furniture of the "Pierrepont House," consisting of 40 ℔ ton of parlor furniture, large French plate pier and mantel glasses, tapestry, Brussels and 3-ply carpets, a large assortment of chamber and dining-room furniture, 1 Chickering piano-forte, silver-plated, China and glass ware, copper cooking utensils, table and bed linen, wines, liquors, stores, &c.

N. B.—Catalogues ready at datesroom on Friday.

EDWARD A. CUTTING & CO., Auctioneers.

EXTRA AUCTION SALE OF FOREIGN LOOM GOODS—THIS MORNING (Wednesday,) at 10½ o'clock, at No. 79 Nassau-st., between Fulton and John. By invoices—Furniture in large variety. Also, carpeting from importers, oil-paintings and mirrors, mattresses and beds, China and glass ware, gold and silver watches, silver-plated ware, jewelry and fancy goods. Casino silk shawls, chenilles, gloves, &c., &c. Window shades and engravings. Elevator and hydraulic clock, model ship and tin toilet ware, vases and bronze devices, office desks, chairs, &c., basket work, pencils, &c., Hilos, portable chairs, &c.

Notwithstanding the season, the sales will and must be effected. Shipments will prepared at small charge.

AUCTION SALES.

THOMAS & SONS, Auctioneers.

PERSEVERANCE SALE OF PHILADELPHIA—COAL, LANDS, &c., of the NORTH PENNSYLVANIA COAL COMPANY, Luzerne County, Pa., 3 miles northwest of Wilkesbarre. On TUESDAY, Sept. 16, 1856, at 12½ o'clock in the evening, will be sold at public sale, without reserve, at the Philadelphia Exchange, by order of SEAMLEY WOODWARD, Agent for the Company, under authority of an act of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, approved April 3, 1856, all those 7 tracts of land, containing over 600 acres, situate in Plains Township, Luzerne County, Pa., fronting on the Susquehanna River, and bounded by lands of Eli K. Price, John Searle, W. H. Sperring, J. Smith, E. M. Fuller, and by the canal and several public roads, according to a survey made in 1854 by H. Pohl, Jr., Luzerne County. On tract No. 2 is a new engine and pump already erected, and driven through a mine of good coal. These improvements would enable a party purchasing to commence operations immediately, on a large scale. The coaling being on the bank of the canal the expense of loading boats will be comparatively very small. The Mammoth Vein, at least 40 feet per day can be lifted from the mines and placed in boats ready for market. The Northern Extension of the North Branch Canal is now nearly completed, which will open an entirely new market for the mineral wealth of the Wyoming Valley, and the extremely eligible situation of these lands will render them among the first to enjoy its advantages. It should be mentioned that a valuable vein in which gold has still to be reached, varying in thickness from 14 to 30 feet. Shaft 30 feet deep, and 18 by 9½ feet wide, to a 10-foot vein of coal. Also, engine, 40-horse power, engine house, hoisting apparatus, &c., entirely new. Also, a basin for the boats when loading. Contemplated Railroad will run through lots Nos. 4, 5 and 6, to Nanticoke and Scranton. A full description of the whole property, and a lithographic plan from Mr. Colt's survey, giving the exact boundaries, distances, courses, &c., may be had at the auction rooms of Messrs. RANGE, BROTHERS & CO., and of Messrs. LEAVITT, DELISSER & CO., New-York. Sale absolute, without any reserve or limitation. Terms and further particulars at sale.

M. THOMAS & SONS, Auctioneers.
Nos. 67 and 69 South 4th-st., Philadelphia.

W. S. MELLOR, Auctioneer.

MORTGAGE SALE OF ELEGANT CABINET FURNITURE—On THURSDAY, Aug. 28, at 10½ o'clock, at salesroom Nos. 13 and 15 Park-row, opposite the Astor House, being the stock of a first class cabinet manufacturer, removed to the salesroom, and to be sold peremptorily by order of mortgagee, consisting in part of solid rosewood parlor suites covered in rich brocatel and plush, 10 ebony parlor suites, Voltaire and sleep back parlor chairs, 6 Turkish chairs covered in rich fancy coverings, 1 elaborately carved music cabinet and writing secretary wardrobes, rosewood armoire lined with satin wood, 15 enameled chamber suites plain and with marble tops, book cases, secretaries, wardrobes, oak, mahogany, rosewood and walnut chamber furniture in great variety.

Also a variety of plain furniture, new and second hand, with which the sale will commence, altogether forming the richest collection offered at auction this season.

Goods can be packed on the premises for shipping. Catalogues on morning of sale

Ladies and gentlemen are particularly invited to view the stock previous to purchasing elsewhere.

P. C. BULLEY, Auctioneer.

POSITIVE SALE—On SATURDAY, Sept. 6, at 12 o'clock, at the Court House in White Plains, Westchester County, by order of the Supreme Court under the direction of JUDAH B. PORTHEIM, Esq., referee of that beautiful country seat known as the Russell place, beautifully situated on the Post Road near the Depôt at Rye, with a fine view of the Sound and adjacent country. The property consists of about 25 acres of good land, with a large quantity of fine fruit and ornamental shrubbery. The improvements consist of a large house in good order, barns, stables, granary, &c. To any one wishing a beautiful country-seat, this offers a rare opportunity, as the sale is positive to the highest bidder. Apply to the auctioneer, No. 40 Wall-st., basement of the Insurance Buildings.

W. S. MELLOR, Auctioneer.

FRENCH PLATE PIER AND MANTEL MIRRORS.—TO-MORROW, (Thursday,) at 11 o'clock, at salesroom Nos. 13 and 15 Park-row, consists of a valuable quality French plate pier and mantel mirrors of the latest and most fashionable styles of richly ornamented frames and first quality plate; also about 40 oil-paintings, in rich gilt frames; also 3 rolls of ingrain carpets, matting, table cloths, counterpanes, clocks, &c.; also an entire invoice of rich French white, blue and gold, and gold ware, motto cups, toilet sets, &c., the whole for positive sale. Catalogues on the morning of sale.

W. S. MELLOR, Auctioneer.

PIANO-FORTES AT AUCTION.—TO-MORROW, (Thursday,) at 12 o'clock, at salesroom Nos. 13 and 15 Park row, viz.: one elaborately carved-leg pearl and inlaid plate 7¼ octave piano, made by W. Lindeman & Son, of New-York, and cost $650; one made by E. G. Fraser, been in use about 2 years, also 2 second-hand pianos, of good tone and finish; also 20 piano stools, covered in plush and hair cloth; also 20 office desks, tables, &c.

WALTER GREENOUGH, Auctioneer.

DRUG STOCK AND FIXTURES.—Will be sold THIS DAY, Aug. 27, at the corner of West Broadway and Duane st., at 10 o'clock, the whole stock of drugs in said store, being a complete assortment of good drugs; also the fixtures of the store, and in lots convenient for the purchasers.

GREENOUGH, BURDETT & PARKER, Auctioneers.

JOHN E. VAN ANTWERP, Auctioneer.

HARDWARE AUCTION NOTICE.—JOHN E. VAN ANTWERP'S second regular fall Trade Sale will take place on THURSDAY, 28th Aug. at 10 o'clock, at his auction room No. 216 Pearl-st. The assortment is good and well worthy the attention of the trade. Full particulars in catalogues, which are now ready.

JOHN P. MONTGOMERY, Auctioneer.

350 CASES BOOTS AND SHOES.—At auction, on THURSDAY, Aug. 28, at the store of S. N. DAVIS & CO., No. 96 Beekman-st., fresh seasonable goods, adapted to City and country trade, without reserve, for cash.

$20,000 WORTH STOVES, &c., AT PUBLIC AUCTION.—On MONDAY, Sept. 1, 1856, at 10 o'clock A. M., will be sold at auction all the stock of stove Ho. 526 Water-st., New-York, consisting of a great variety of parlor, hall, office and cooking stoves, kitchen ranges, summer ranges, hard coal furnaces, charcoal furnaces, bar-room stoves, ship stoves and cabooses, heaters, hollow ware, tin, common iron, Russia iron, copper bottoms, tin ware, fire-brick, repairs, &c. &c. Also a complete set of tinners' tools. Sale peremptory.

Terms.—All bills under $100 cash; all over $100 approved notes at 60 days. Catalogues may be obtained on Monday, Aug. 25, at the store of

ARENDROTH BROTHERS,
Nos. 109 and 111 Beekman-st., New-York.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

$5, $10.—ANY ONE WISHING TO MAKE A GOOD LIVING WITH LITTLE TROUBLE.—The advertiser, having had thirty years' experience in the making of soap of all kinds, being in possession of a valuable chemical secret, will, on the receipt of $5, send, by return of mail, a receipt for making "Extra Family Soap," to cost not over 2½ cents per pound. Can be made in any small room, in an ordinary dinner pot. On the receipt of $10, I will send six recipes for making as many fancy soaps. There are some six factories making this "Extra Family Soap," and are making rapid fortunes. Address Dr. GUILLIAME LA FONTE, care of JNO. N. REWHOUSE, No. 126 Bowery, New-York.

HARDWARE.—CHICAGO BUSINESS FOR SALE.—The entire stock and trade of a well established jobbing and importing house in good standing, together with a favorable lease of a new and desirable store in one of the best locations, is offered by the proprietors on convenient terms for cash and approved paper. For information, inquire of EDWARD CORNING & CO., No. 81 John-st.

FOR SALE—Stock of coal and wood in a yard doing a first-rate business with a feed store attached, and an unexpired lease of eight years. Reason for selling made known upon application. Possession given immediately, or retained until the 1st of November. Address, by letter, W. H. L. & S., No. 530 Hudson-street Post-Office, or inquire on the premises, No. 559 9th-av.

FOR SALE—The stock and fixtures of a Confectionery Store and Ladies' Ice Cream and Oyster Saloon. The store is located on one of the best avenues for business and is fit

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BANK NOTICES.

BANK DEPARTMENT—STATE OF NEW-YORK.—ALBANY, Aug. 25, 1856.—Notice is hereby given, that all the circulating notes issued to C. G. RAHN, as Individual banker, Glen Cove, Queens County, must be presented at the Office of the Superintendent of the Banking Department of the State of New-York for payment within two years from this date; or the right expired for the redemption of the circulating notes issued by the said Banker will be given up.
M. SCHOONMAKER, Superintendent.

BANK DEPARTMENT—STATE OF NEW-YORK.—ALBANY, Aug. 25, 1856.—The MANUFACTURERS AND TRADERS' BANK has this day filed in this Office a notice to the Superintendent of the BANK OF THE CAPITOL, in the City of Albany, as agent for the redemption of its circulating notes, agreeable to the act entitled "An act to amend the several acts relating to Incorporated Banks, Banking Associations and Individual Bankers" passed April 15, 1851.
JAMES H. COOK, Superintendent.

MARINERS' SAVINGS BANK.—84 Cedar-st., Maiden Lane, open daily from 9 till 2, and Wednesday and Saturday evening from 6 to 8. Interest on deposits of $100 and under, 7 per cent.
T. R. STILLMAN, President.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE COVINGTON & LEXINGTON R. R. CO.,
Cincinnati, Aug. 25, 1856.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—The semi annual interest falling due in the City of New-York, on the 1st day of September, on the Covington and Lexington Railroad Company's Bonds, guaranteed by the city of Covington 5 per cents., and the Covington and Lexington Railroad Company's first and second mortgage Bonds, (and 7 per cents.) will be paid on and after that date, at the office of Messrs. WINSLOW, LANIER & CO., No. 52 Wall-st., New-York, on presentation of the proper coupons.
Signed, S. J. WALKER, Treasurer.

BULLS HEAD BANK.—New-York, Aug. 19, 1856.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a Dividend of Four per cent., payable to the stockholders on the first day of September proximo.
C. S. VANDERHOOF, Cashier.

INSURANCE.

SECURITY FIRE INSURANCE CO., No. 21 Pine-st. (Great Western Buildings.)—CASH CAPITAL $200,000, ALL PAID IN.—This Company having all its capital paid in, and securely invested, is now ready to receive applications and to issue Policies of Insurance on Merchandise, Buildings, Ships in Port, and other Property, on favorable terms.
JOSEPH WALKER, President.
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STEAMBOATS.

STEAMBOAT AND RAILROAD LINE.—Afternoon boat at 1 o'clock from foot of Jay-st., North side, landing at Caldwell's, West Point, (Cozzens' Dock,) Newburg, Marlboro, Milton, Poughkeepsie, Rhinebeck, Tarrytown, Red Hook, Bristol, West Camp, and Catskill. Fare 50 cents to Newburg, 75 cents and Rhinebeck.

The fast sailing steamers SOUTH AMERICA, Captain W. H. MARLOW, and COLUMBIA, Captain G. L. KING, will leave Pier foot of Jay-st., north side, at 5 o'clock every MONDAY, excepted, for Hudson, connecting with steam West from Catskill and Railroad East from Hudson.

Tickets may be obtained on board the boat to the following places:

Tarrytown		Pittsfield	$2 25
Sing Sing		Chesterfield	1 62
Ossining		Cheshire	1 62
Sleepy Hollow		Lanesboro	1 62
Tellerville		Hinsdale	1 62
Ghent		Washington	1 62
Chatham 4 Corners	$1 00	Becket	1 62
East Chatham	1 00	Chester Factory	1 62
Canaan	1 00	Huntington	1 62
Lebanon Springs	1 00	Russell	1 62
Stockbridge	1 00	Worthington	1 62
Lenox	1 00	Cummington	1 62
Lenox Furnace	1 00	Plainfield	1 62
Richmond	1 00	Cheshire	1 62
Hinsdale	1 00	Adams	1 62
Pittsfield	1 00	Cheshire	1 62
Lenox	1 00	Lenox	1 62
Stockbridge	1 00	Lenox Furnace	1 62
Richmond	1 00	Richmond	1 62
Hinsdale	1 00	Hinsdale	1 62
Pittsfield	1 00	Pittsfield	1 62
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